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Students dish up diverse desserts

Clemson kicks off International Education Week with a World Bazaar event in Hendrix.

SCOTTIE WHITELEY
NEWS EDITOR

This past Sunday, Nov. 13, marked the beginning of International Education Week (IEW). At Clemson, a World Bazaar event was held from 2-5 p.m. in Hendrix.

A joint initiative of the U.S. departments of state and education, IEW was first held in 2000 and today is celebrated in more than 100 countries worldwide.

IEW educates the campus about other cultures, countries and ethnicities through a series of speakers, workshops and events.

IEW seeks to prepare U.S. students for the global environment and celebrate international exchange.

The World Bazaar event was open to students, faculty and staff, and community members.

"It's the fourth time we've hosted this event," said Louis Bregger, who is part of International Student Programs in the Gantt Center for Student Life.

International Awareness Week is celebrated in the spring, but

Bregger said this event is an attempt to commemorate international awareness in the fall as well.

"It focuses on desserts," he said. "We had desserts from over 20 different countries. We had lots of entertainment as well."

He discussed the various types of desserts that students made for the event.

"For example, the Australian students made this really wonderful dessert with merengue and fresh fruit in a pastry shell," Bregger said. "It was absolutely fantastic."

"The French club made crepes right on the spot, so those were fresh and warm."

Bregger said that the French club has always been a big supporter of this event and has helped in terms of volunteers.

"We had a student from Armenia and he was sharing special chocolate from his home country — it was a chocolate covered fruit," he said.

"The Iranian students made three different desserts — so there was lots of good food."

American culture was also represented in the display of desserts by brownies and Rice Krispie treats.



The World Bazaar event focused on desserts; students brought traditional desserts from twenty different countries.

Entertainment included performances by the Japanese club and a passion show of traditional dresses from students' international

countries of origin.

Bregger said that Ten Thousand Villages was at the event as well. Ten Thousand Villages provides

unique handmade gifts, jewelry, home decor, art and sculpture,

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Marching for a cause

Tiger Band dedicates halftime performance for ALS survivors.

SCOTTIE WHITELEY
NEWS EDITOR

This past Saturday the Clemson community celebrated more than just a football victory.

The Tiger Band hosted a special march at halftime of the Wake Forest game to raise awareness and funds for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

ALS is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord, and currently has no cure.

Marching for ALS brings college marching bands together to raise awareness and funds in the fight

against ALS. Funds raised through Marching for ALS go towards The ALS Association's crucial patient services programs, research and advocacy.

Mark Spede, director of Tiger Band, explained how they got involved in the cause.

"We actually did this program last year, although we got a late start," he said. "I got an email from the band director at Virginia Tech and he was soliciting money for the cause. When I looked a little further into it, I could see that other marching bands from around the

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"It's electric"

Student Chestley "CJ" Couch takes his self-made electric bike to the streets of Clemson.

BRADY BROWN
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Throughout his life, sophomore Chestley "C.J." Couch has always considered himself a tinkerer.

Prior to his time in Clemson, he spent four years on his high school robotics team as well as three years as a coach.

Throughout all this, Couch noticed that the school was throwing away surplus parts.

Seeing this as a waste, he asked if he could be allowed to hold on to them. For about a year, these parts sat waiting in his closet.

On arriving at Clemson, Couch, a Charleston native, found the hill situation throughout campus quite bothersome for the average biker.

As a mechanical engineering major, he finally realized a practical use for these spare parts: make an electric bike.

Couch took a 750-watt electric motor (equivalent to about 1 horsepower) and attached it to the back of an everyday, run-of-the-mill bicycle.

It only took a few weeks for Couch's vision to become a reality. He rotates through five different rechargeable batteries, so whenever he's on the go, all he has to do is pop one in, and he's ready to roll.

The top speed of the bicycle is geared down to 7 mph which, as Couch jokingly said, "Is more than enough to mow people down on

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Couch designed his electric bike with scrapped parts.



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Songs for sustainability

University Housing sponsors conservation song contest.

SCOTTIE WHITELEY
NEWS EDITOR

University Housing just sponsored the first conservation song contest, a contest in which Clemson University students submitted original songs on energy, water conservation, recycling or a combination of the three. The purpose of this "green" song contest was to promote sustainability through musically talented students.

Matthew Phillips of University Housing came up with the idea for the competition.

"In this particular area of housing, we work in environmental sustainability," he said. "I thought the contest would be something fun to do to educate students in a fun way about sustainability without being forceful about this concept."

"We could also see what the participants had learned or knew about this issue," Phillips said. "My supervisor gave me the go-ahead — his supervisor really encouraged us to do the contest as well. This is the first time in Housing we've done a contest. A lot of work went into it, but it was a lot of fun to run."

The first place prize, a \$150 gift

certificate to the bookstore, went to senior management major Mitchell Plyler; second place, a \$100 gift card, went to freshman engineering major Timothy Mcvitar.

"I entered because I had a hankerin' to record and needed an outlet for the music," Plyler said. "My song encompassed limiting water usage, recycling and power conservation. I think it stood out because it was concise, catchy and very upbeat."

Plyler explained the importance of green living.

"Conservation is important to me because everyone has to share the (arguably) limited resources that the Earth provides, and as our population increases we will be more stressed for reuse and conservation. Good habits are important to learn now so that they can be utilized to protect our resources in the future," he said.

Freshman Margo Cilker was the third place winner in the contest.

"This contest was an opportunity to raise awareness of sustainability by writing a song," she said. "I thought it was an interesting opportunity because not only is the ultimate goal to encourage listeners of the songs to practice environmental

stewardship, but it also challenged me, as the writer, to think about why it's actually important."

"I got involved because I saw a poster and thought that it would be a great way to practice writing songs, and I couldn't help but notice that there was prize money," Cilker said. "Another reason I decided to enter is that as a songwriter, it's difficult to get projects finished. The deadline of this contest made it so that I couldn't put off writing a song — I just had to get it turned in."

Cilker, a self-proclaimed tree-hugger, explained the idea behind her award-winning song.

"My song connects the concepts of water conservation and recycling to the beauty of the natural world that exists. I really wanted to capture the idea that our earth is definitely worth saving ... because it treats me to its beauty every time I step outside."

For third place, Cilker won a \$50 gift card to Clemson's Barnes & Noble Bookstore. "It was just enough to offset the cost of my next textbook," she said.

"In all honesty, the reward was having the motivation to finish a song and to put it toward a great cause."

Dreams do come true

Student organizations raise money to send a sick child to Disney World.

SCOTTIE WHITELEY
NEWS EDITOR

Last week, from Nov. 7-11, CLEMSONLIVE along with Acts of Campus Kindness (ACK) raised over \$130 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation to help a local child from Greer get his wish of going to Disney World.

ACK is a service club open to all Clemson University students with the purpose of uniting the campus through random acts of kindness. The goal of the club is to sponsor unique charity or fundraising events on campus and support the events sponsored by other Clemson student organizations.

"The event formulated because Acts of Campus Kindness received an email from Mary Silverburg (Development & Youth Programs Coordinator for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of South Carolina) asking if ACK would like to participate in their Wishmakers on Campus Program," said Chris Austin, president of ACK.

Austin and other members of ACK decided to get CLEMSONLIVE involved because of their previous positive experiences with them.

"CLEMSONLIVE is awesome to work with," Austin said.

"Through meetings with Payton [Jamieson, director of the Make-a-Wish event through CLEMSONLIVE] and the rest of the CLEMSONLIVE crew, we decided to make a week-long event culminating in a large social event on 11/11/11, which was perfect for the whole Make-a-Wish theme," Austin said.

Jamieson explained the events that went on during Make-a-Wish week at Clemson.

"We were on Library Bridge during the week with our giving tree and penny war," she said. "For a donation of just a dollar people could write their own wish on a slip of paper."

Besides donating a dollar to the wishing tree, students donated money through the penny war.

"The penny war is a game where you would put pennies in your own college and silver coins in the other colleges," Jamieson said. "The penny war winner was the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences."

Jamieson explained how CLEMSONLIVE designed the event.

"We came up with the contest because we wanted something for the students to really enjoy," she said. "While they were making a wish, they had a chance to grant

the wish of another child."

CLEMSONLIVE was given a local, chronically ill child to sponsor.

"Anthony was given to us by the Make-A-Wish Foundation," Jamieson said. "Usually what happens is that we set a goal, and they pair you with a child who has a dream that costs around the same amount that you are planning to raise."

Anthony is a four year old from Greer, South Carolina. In 2010, he was diagnosed with leukemia, and he is currently undergoing chemotherapy. Besides his cancer, Anthony is just a normal little boy — his favorite color is red, he loves watching Spongebob Squarepants, playing Mario Kart and eating popcorn, his favorite food. Anthony wants to go to Disney World to meet his favorite Disney character, Mickey Mouse.

The first time Austin saw a picture of Anthony, he was moved to raise as much money as possible.

"Once Ms. Silverburg finally sent me the photo of the child we were helping, I immediately showed it to Payton and I think it really motivated us to push the students to donate," Austin said.

"I couldn't even imagine what Anthony is going through and was amazed at how brave he is," he said. "Leukemia is fatal, as we all know, and to fight it at four years old is both heartbreaking and inspiring."

"To be honest this kid has become one of my heroes really quick and I personally wanted to do everything in my power to make sure this event was successful."

"Our hope with this event was to help provide that lasting childhood memory to Anthony and his family," Austin said. "Overall I felt that the event was successful; obviously it is natural for one to want to raise more."

Austin said that it is his year-long mission to make sure Anthony gets a chance to go to Disney World.

This Make-a-Wish event will not be the only opportunity for students to help make Anthony's wish come true.

"We are also doing a karaoke event on Dec. 7 to raise more money for Anthony so that he can take his dream trip to Disney World," Jamieson said.

"We plan to have a collection jar at all of our future events and we also have other resources collecting money in places other than Clemson," Austin said. "We are not stopping here, not by a long shot."

Faculty Spotlight: One of the South's most creative teachers

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Although the name "Roy Jones" may not currently ring a bell for all students, he has touched the lives of many, especially the Misters. Jones, who was just named one of the Most Creative Teachers in the South by Oxford American magazine, is best known as executive director of the Call Me MISTER program, which stands for Mentors Instructing Students Toward Effective Role Models.

The overall mission of the program is to broaden the spectrum of available teachers to include those from a more diverse background, specifically among the lowest performing elementary schools in the area.

The Eugene T. Moore School of Education's Call Me MISTER program started at Clemson University in 2000 and was then administered to some of South Carolina's historically black colleges. The program cultivates students from diverse backgrounds and cultures and then places them as teachers in elementary schools across the state.

The program and its participants have blossomed since the beginning stages. There is now a foundation of 75 graduates who are certified teachers in the program, and 160 students currently enrolled at Clemson or one of the 14 other partnering colleges who will go on to become teachers, or "Misters", in the program.

Not only has the program been recognized by Clemson and other colleges, it has also received accolades from news media and celebrities as well. National press such as USA Today and ABC World News, along with celebrities Oprah Winfrey and Bill Cosby, have given Jones and the program the recognition it deserves.

A fundamental aspect of the Call Me MISTER program is the use of cohorts. Cohorts were something that Jones first introduced to as an undergrad at University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where he was a member of a cohort. This cohort was dubbed CCEBS, or Continuing Collegiate Education for Black Students. Jones carried this belief in the power of cohorts over to the framework of the Call Me MISTER program.

Jones has a passion for educating and furthering those who began their quest for higher education at some sort of disadvantage. There is recognition that not everyone receives



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the perfect start and finish that they had hoped for, and some need extra support along the way.

Jones had the objective to show young people that they too can create their own path to better their life and that they do not always need to follow in their parent's footsteps. This theme has remained very much alive through his work with Call Me MISTER. Once those enrolled graduate, they will start teaching at elementary schools in the state. Originally, only Clemson students participated as Misters, but now the program has expanded to include graduates of other colleges and universities in the state.

The program has also expanded beyond Jones' initial goal of 200 Misters, and now has no set number for a stopping point. Jones, along with the Misters, is working to break the cycle of educational inequality in the state and has touched many lives in the ongoing process.

Jones certainly lives up to his recent title of one of the "Most Creative Leaders in the South." Creativity is not an area that Jones is lacking in as he works to tackle both racial and cultural issues in education, two prevalent topics amongst college campuses.

Aside from these endeavors, Jones has directed and executed various programs in higher education. These range from workshops to forums and panel discussions, something for everyone to attend. Roy Jones may be just one man but he has spread his passion for life and success to an innumerable amount of people.

want to find out more about the Make-a-Wish Foundation?
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BURIED IN WOODLAND

THE STORIES OF CEMETERY HILL

It contains some of the greatest names in Clemson history. Riggs, Howard, Edwards, Sikes, Lever, McFadden, Sherman, Daniel, Poole, Fike, Vickery and countless others who made outstanding contributions to Clemson chose the Woodland Cemetery as their final resting place.

Fondly known as Cemetery Hill, this wooded knoll adjacent to Memorial Stadium was originally the location of the Calhoun family plot. It remained a family cemetery until 1924, when the Board of Trustees followed the suggestion of President Walter M. Riggs and voted to establish "The Woodland Cemetery" as a final resting place for those Clemson faculty members "who may desire to avail themselves of the privilege."

"If you'll notice, the little churches in town don't have churchyards, so there was no place for people to be buried," said University Historian Dr. Jerry Reel. "The only place that one could be buried was out at Old Stone Church, and Riggs wanted a place where Clemson's faculty could rest and rest freely. There was never a charge to be buried here."

Fittingly, Riggs was the first faculty member to be buried in the newly christened Woodland Cemetery.

"He died on Jan. 22, 1924 in Washington D.C., where he was

attending a conference of some of the presidents of the Land Grant Association," Reel said. "His funeral was a huge affair in town."

Through the years, other presidents and Clemson giants joined Riggs on the hallowed knoll. "You'll see all the names of the buildings you recognize here," Reel said.

Many of the gravestones reflect the individual contributions of these figures. For example, the gravestone of IPTAY founder Dr. Rupert Fike reads "IPTAY No. 1," while Dr. Koloman Lehotsky's stone features two oak tree leaves as homage to his work in founding the forestry department at Clemson.

Frank Howard, who had long insisted that he "wanted to be buried on the sideline watching the Tigers play," was laid to rest near the edge of the cemetery closest to Memorial Stadium.

"When they started putting up extensions to the stadium, he raised hell about that," Reel said. "He said, 'I won't be able to see my boys.' So a couple of his 'boys' who were ministers came and talked to him and said, 'Coach, if you get to Glory, don't worry about it you'll see [your boys play]. If you don't get to Glory, don't worry about it you'll fry.'"

One of the greatest features of Woodland Cemetery is its untouched natural beauty.

"Part of the rules are that the cemetery is left natural," Reel said. "You're not supposed to come 'pretty' the place up and cut down the trees. That's why it's called Woodland Cemetery."

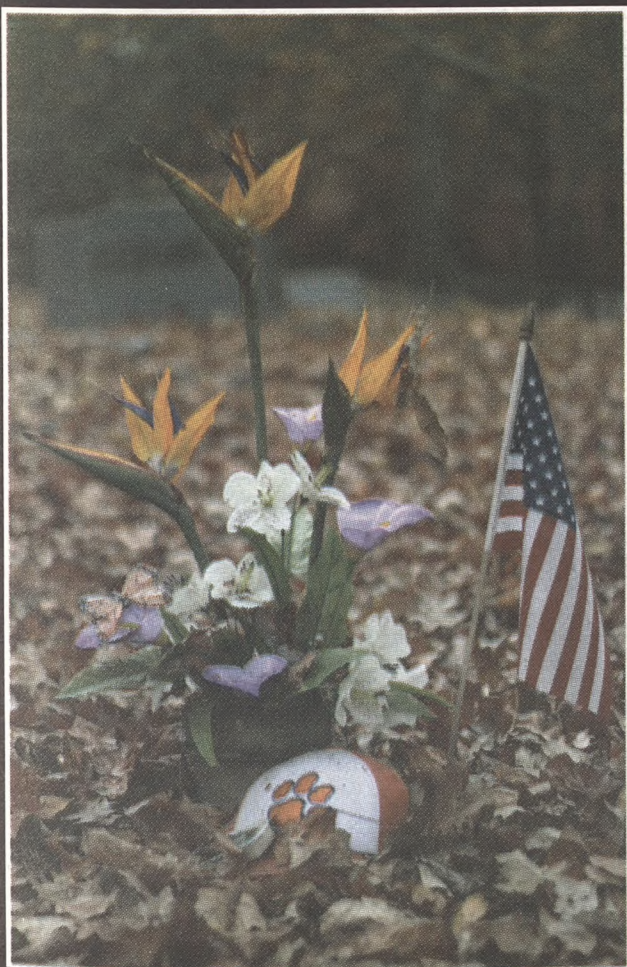
In December 2000, President Jim Barker established the Woodland Cemetery Stewardship Committee under the charge that it "protect and enhance the integrity, character and traditions of Cemetery Hill."

"As President of Clemson University, I feel I have been given a sacred trust — the obligation to lead our community into the future while preserving and honoring our past," he said. "There is no place in which the sacred trust is more tangible than Woodland Cemetery, more commonly known as Cemetery Hill."

When asked what the cemetery meant to him as a Clemson man, Reel simply said, "Memories."

"Sometimes I feel a little sad because the person's gone, but it's memories," he said. "I've had to come up on this hill a lot and bury people, good friends."

There are countless stories buried with these legends on Cemetery Hill. Some of these stories have been shared in the "Cemetery Chronicles" in Clemson World Magazine, and others will be featured in the next issue of The Tiger on Dec. 2.



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country were participating."

Spede said the cause holds personal significance for him. "I knew somebody that died of ALS about 15 years ago; he wasn't really close to me, but I watched him deteriorate over time and knew that it was a really horrible way to die," he said. "So when I saw this particular thing I thought, 'Well, this would be a good thing for us to do.' That's how we got involved."

According to Spede, how the program works is the ALS Association asks bands to dedicate one halftime as the official "March for ALS halftime." Tiger Band decided to dedicate the Wake Forest halftime to the cause.

"Because athletics doesn't allow us to actually publicize a charitable event at the football game, it was kind of done as a silent march," Spede said. "What we did on this particular day was really focus on the cause during the 90 minutes before kickoff concert in the amphitheater. We also had some smaller groups of band members going around and playing at tailgates around the stadium after the game, and they also were raising money."

"So we did some fundraising before and after the game," he said.

Through the program, Tiger Band sponsored one particular ALS victim. "The S.C. chapter of the ALS

Association contacted me, and they put me in touch with Chad Poole, who is a young man who has ALS," Spede said. "He happens to be a big Clemson fan — he was actually an athlete."

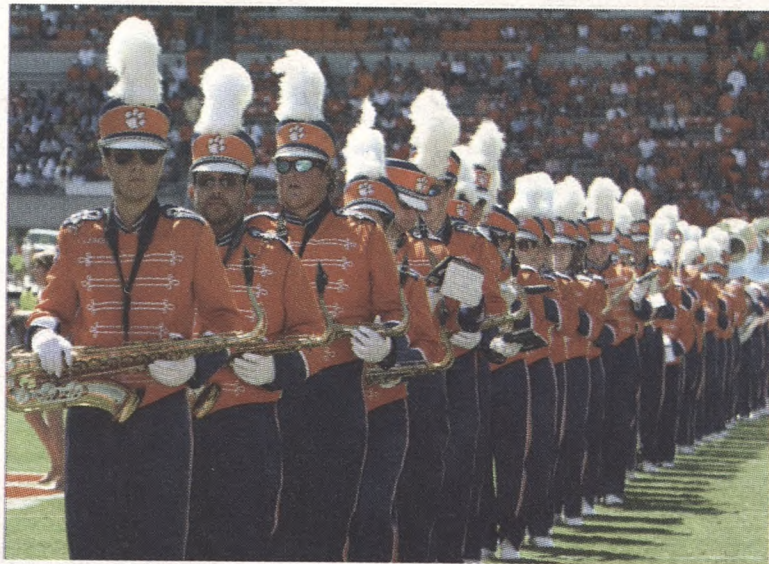
Spede and the Tiger Band first met Poole when they invited him up for a game last year. "We stayed in touch over the past year and then decided to participate more fully in the program this year because we had a better lead-time getting involved," he said. "So he's sort of been our unofficial mascot for the fundraising."

Fundraising for Poole and for the ALS Association is still open.

"We have a website through the ALS Association. People can donate directly to an individual marcher — and most of those are band members — or generally to the ALS association," Spede said. He explained that on the website, students can see the total amount raised and the top 10 marchers, or the top 10 fundraisers.

Spede said the Tiger Band collected cash over the weekend that they haven't factored in yet, but estimates the band has raised between \$9,000-\$10,000. Their goal is \$20,000.

ALS is a terrible and debilitating disease without a cure. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to help Tiger Band make a difference by clicking on the ALS banner and making a donation today.



Members of Tiger Band performed at tailgates to raise money.



The halftime show of the Wake Forest game was dedicated to the ALS cause.

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textiles, serveware, and personal accessories representing the diverse cultures of artisans in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East.

They were in the bottom floor of Hendrix throughout International Education Week.

"You can get all your Christmas shopping done in one place," Bregger said.

Bregger talked about the significant international population we have here at Clemson.

"We have, for this fall, 1,286 international students from 88 different countries," he said.

Bregger spoke on the importance and the impact of diversity. "Having international students is a growing trend in our country," Bregger said.

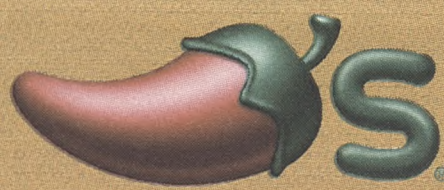
"It brings a richness to our universities. Having international students in our classrooms is a way to enrich our education."

"The World Bazaar event is a way to bring the world to Clemson," he said.

International Awareness Week will take place in April in a festival on Bowman Field.

"There will be lots of food, entertainment and international colors and flavors," Bregger said. "So students can be looking forward to that."

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Library Bridge."

Living on campus, Couch finds his invention to be extremely beneficial when it comes to getting to class and other places around Clemson.

The bike basically coasts down hills, and the engine just needs to be switched on when facing hills or during long flat stretches.

Couch explained his inspiration for putting an engine on a bicycle.

"I had motors and batteries ... I look around and am like, 'What can I put a motor on?' ... I'm a third generation drag racer so I'm all about power and speed ... If it's mechanical — gears and motors — I'm into it."

The electric bike is a perpetual project for Couch, as he is always looking for ways to improve it, whether it's adding a new motor or making slight alterations here and there as he goes.

Couch summed up the benefits of his bike. "For trips about a mile from campus (CookOut or Bi-Lo, for example), I now use my bike instead of wasting the gas and fighting for parking or waiting 20 minutes for the crowded buses," he said.

"While I could have easily just bought a moped or a gas-power bike kit, I wanted something that fit with Clemson's green initiatives and put to practice some of the concepts that I'm paying so much to learn."

"Besides all that it's just cool to be able to ride something you designed and built," Couch said.

Tigri Scientifica: Sunscreen in a Pill?

Perhaps it's not too far-fetched

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STAFF WRITER

After a great Clemson victory in Death Valley you notice that your face has turned a lovely shade of pink (except for that outline of a tiger paw tattoo on your cheek, of course!). Does this sound familiar? Well, the days of worrying about slathering on sunscreen before going outside may soon be over. A new study by researchers at King's College London suggests that sunscreen may soon be available in pill form thanks to natural compounds produced by coral reefs. The leader of the project, Dr. Paul Long, believes that this discovery can be very beneficial to people. As part of a four-month expedition to the Great Barrier Reef, researchers collected samples of corals to identify what is responsible for protecting corals from harsh UV rays.

It makes sense that coral reefs need sunscreen; they live near the equator and grow in shallow, sunlit waters. Even though corals may look like rocks, they are actually groups of small animals. Corals aren't able to relocate to the shade when the sun's rays start to burn, and they need a way to protect themselves from the elements. So, how do corals produce sunscreen? Corals have a symbiotic relationship with algae called zooxanthellae.

Symbiosis means that the coral and algae mutually benefit from living together. Algae use photosynthesis to produce food that the coral uses, and waste products created by the corals boost productivity in algae. However, scientists have now discovered that algae also produce the compound responsible for making sun-

screen. The corals receive this compound and process it into a form of sunscreen that protects both of the species.

Not only does this compound protect the corals, it also acts as a sunscreen to the fish that feed on corals. It is this observation that has led scientists to research this compound further. If fish can get sunscreen in their diets, why can't humans? The scientists at King's College London believe that if they can successfully biosynthesize this compound, it could be produced into a pill for people to take.

In order to pinpoint the exact compounds responsible for a coral's sunscreen, researchers took coral samples from low sunlight areas and then exposed them to direct sunlight. This provoked the corals to produce greater amounts of sunscreen and allowed scientists to take enough samples to begin recreating it in the lab. Many advances in this study are expected within the next two years.

The effectiveness of such a sunscreen is still unclear, but scientists are optimistic of its applications. Dr. Long also hopes to someday genetically engineer the process of creating sunscreen into crop plants in developing nations. Many crops have difficulty growing in the harsh sunlight of tropical climates, but they could provide a much needed food source if they could withstand the weather. The biochemical pathway used by algae in creating sunscreen is already found in plants. Dr. Long's research team would like to try incorporating the coral's role in sunscreen production into the crop plants.

This research reminds us why it is so vital to



Sunscreen pills could be on the horizon.

conserve biodiversity in our environment. With growing concerns of skin cancer, sunburn is more than just inconvenient — it is dangerous. Coral reefs are facing many threats today from rising ocean temperatures and pollution, and the disappearance of corals also means the disappearance of possible medical breakthroughs.

In the Nov. 11 issue of The Tiger, Alison Richman was referred to as Carlee Rosen as the author of the article "The Essence of Trust: Creating Possibilities for Treating Disorders." The Tiger regrets this error.

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Is college worthwhile?

While many of us have little experience in dealing with stocks and bonds, we Tigers all know a thing or two about investments. After all, we have all invested four or more years of our lives plus tens of thousands of dollars in tuition into our college educations, and we are hoping that our investments will pay off with considerable interest. Unfortunately, some experts are suggesting that investing in a college education is a less sound decision than it used to be, especially when substantial school loans are involved.

Most of you are presumably familiar with the economic woes our country has suffered as a result of the housing bubble, in which the valuations of real estate rapidly increased and then sharply declined, much to the chagrin of investors. Now signs indicate that an education spending bubble has been growing and may be ready to pop. But what are these signs?

First off, there is an increasing demand for college educations. The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) reports that approximately 41.3 percent of 18- to 24-year-olds were enrolled in college in 2009, as compared with only 35.5 percent in 2000. This increase in demand has been accompanied by an increase in price. Indeed, after accounting for inflation, NCES data shows more than a 40 percent increase in the cost of attending a four-year college from the 1999-2000 to the 2009-10 school year.

As college costs rise, so do the number of student loans and, in turn, the percentage of defaults on those loans. There is currently an estimated \$750 billion in outstanding student loans, and this number is only increasing. Furthermore, this past fiscal year saw an increase from 7 to 8.8 percent in the default rate on federal student loans.

One would hope that as the financial burden of attending college grows steadily heavier, the expected rewards brought in by a college education would grow in kind. Sadly, the data does not support this, as the extra yearly income earned by those with a college degree as compared to those with only a high school diploma or equivalent fell from 55.4 percent for males and 66.4 percent for females in 2000 to 55 percent for males and 60.4 percent for females in 2009, according to NCES data for individuals aged 25 to 34.

While the return on a college education is currently proving more than worth the investment, the trend seems to be toward making such an educational investment financially imprudent. As four-year degrees become the norm, their value could depreciate even as the expense of obtaining them steadily climbs. Before long, average college students may be

finding themselves buried in mountains of debt without the extra income to dig their way out.

However, we at The Tiger are not planning to drop out of Clemson just yet. While we acknowledge these disturbing trends, we believe there are a variety of unquantifiable, intangible benefits that college provides that make our time here a valuable investment. Regardless of the dollar value attached to our degrees, there is a developmental process that occurs at universities that makes them worth attending.

Obviously, the academic learning that takes place in classrooms and lecture halls is of great value, as it prepares us to flourish in our careers and helps us to understand the many problems that face our nation and our world today. However, there are two additional types of learning that take place in college which are of equal or greater importance, the first of which is self-discovery.

Many students arrive at college unsure of exactly who they are or what they want to do with their lives. Happily, college does not require them to be certain about such matters upon arrival. When students first come to college, they are surrounded by other freshmen who are just as lost and confused as they are, providing a peer support group as they learn how to cope with their newfound adult responsibilities. Then, students have four or more years to experiment in all aspects of their lives.

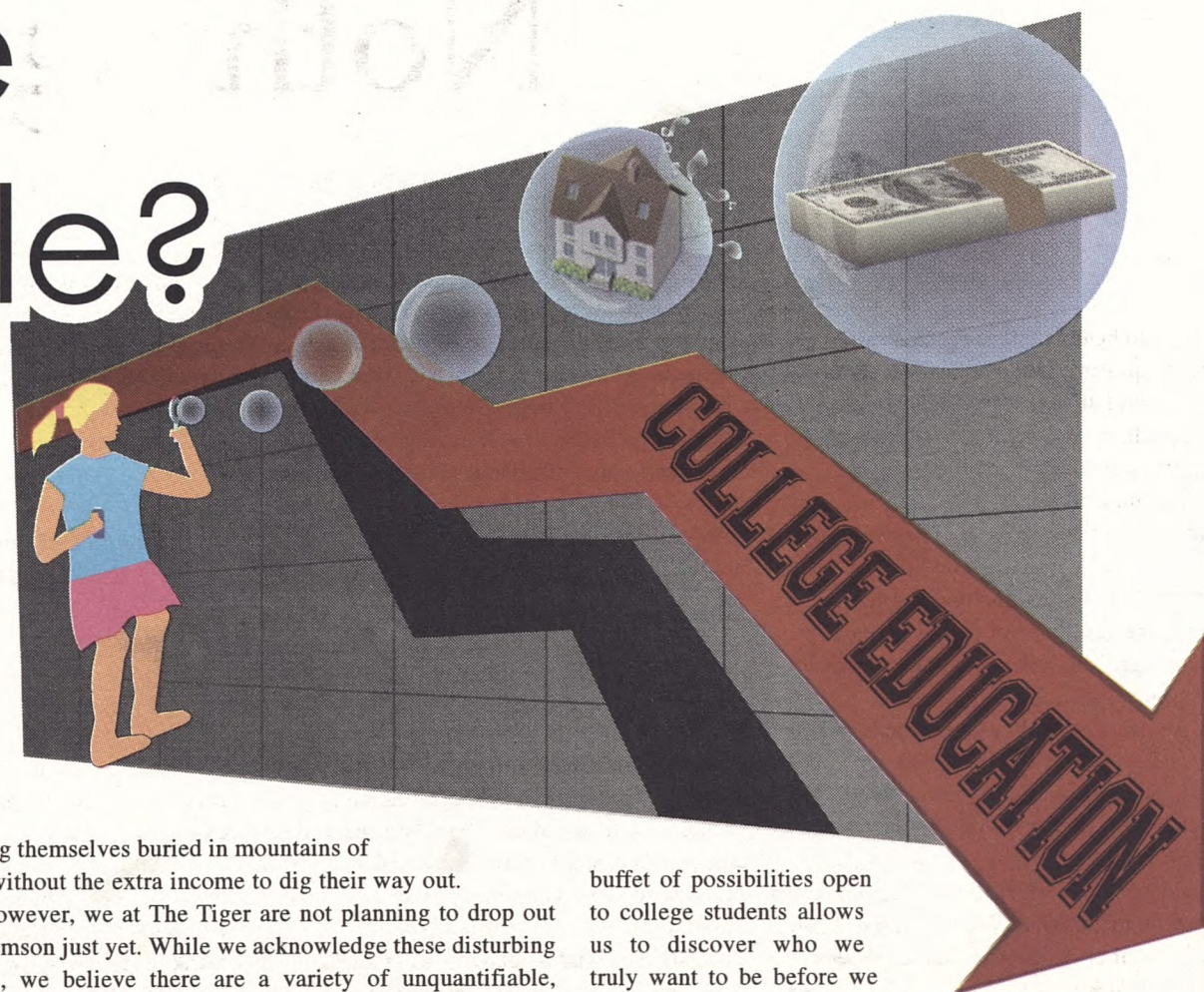
We can take classes in a plethora of different subjects to see if any catch our fancy. We have a wide assortment of extracurricular activities to participate in, and any one of them might uncover a passion we never knew we had. There is a hodgepodge of social groups we can explore — yes, even at Clemson — showing us what kind of people we like to be around and perhaps what kind of people we are inside. The

buffet of possibilities open to college students allows us to discover who we truly want to be before we have to become that person, preventing us from becoming something we never wanted to be simply because we are unsure of what path to take.

The second area of learning is a broadening of our perspectives. If we were to stay in our hometowns and find work rather than go to college, we may well never know what it is to live outside of where we grew up. However, by coming to Clemson, especially those of us who came from out of state, we have exposed ourselves to new cultures and outlooks on life. This experience helps us to see the big picture of our nation and our world and to understand our place in it. Our world presents us with both great challenges and tremendous opportunities, but it is easy to be oblivious to them if we get caught up in the small world we grew up in. College shows us something grander so that we might become grander in kind.

So do not regret your decision to attend Clemson, as you can get plenty out of your investment. But be sure to take the initiative to have the experiences that will prove truly rewarding, for if you merely sit back and wait for your diploma, you may find that you get much less than you bargained for.

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Do you think the value of your college degree is decreasing?

Tip Reburn



FORESTRY
Junior

"If you feel that you are wasting money or time, you should reevaluate what you want to do with your life."

Connor Pencek



ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Junior

"In a technical field, I believe that the value of my degree is not decreasing because jobs are being created and employers are looking for young talent to fill."

Charmell Davis



SECONDARY EDUCATION
Senior

"I don't think so, because you can't be a teacher with a two-year degree, so I think my degree is still valuable"

Susan Fox



GRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS
Sophomore

"Yes, people often have to attend graduate school or some other form of high education. Four-year degrees aren't enough anymore."

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When Good People Do Nothing

NICK ROTH

Columnist



I used to begin all of my articles and papers with quotes. Then that became cliché so I would tell little funny stories and talk about them. But I am going to “kick it old school,” as they say.

Edmond Burke said, “All that’s necessary for the forces of evil to win in the world is for enough good men to do nothing.” I am not entirely sure who Edmond Burke is, was or might be, and I do not feel like gleaning those things from Wikipedia at the moment. But those words resonate with me now more than any others in light of the tragedy at Penn State.

Maybe tragedy is not the right word — actually, I am certain of it. In the Greek tradition, tragedies dealt with fate — the unavoidable. That which was to happen would happen no matter what. So, to call the stolen innocence of an unknown number of boys by a troubled soul “tragic” is unfair, because maybe what was truly deplorable about the

situation is that it did not need to happen.

I do not want to get into the specifics because they are disturbing. And I think Burke’s quote says really all there is to say about what happened. Had Joe Paterno, Mike McQueary, Tim Curley or Gary Schultz done something 10 years ago in 2002, who knows how many lives could have been saved.

I know that no one was killed, but lives were certainly tainted and some ruined.

Those young boys, now young men, had an innocence stolen from them that cannot be returned or reconciled in this world. And sadly, the unnamed victims, those too hurt to speak openly, often end up in a world within themselves, filled with demons that, thankfully yet guiltily, I cannot imagine.

But more disturbing still were the responses in regard to Joe Paterno and his firing — the riots in the streets, the talking heads that defended his legacy. It is central to the problem within college football that we care more about tradition than we do human lives.

No one could objectively say that Joe Paterno deserved or warranted keeping his job as a leader of men when he failed so many

boys. How could he lead with dignity, class and courage when his actions spoke of a man that lacked those virtues?

I return to the washing hands metaphor. Legally, they may have done their duty, but morally they were cowards. Joe Paterno had the chance to stop it, and so did these few men. But they didn’t.

Who knows how many victims there have been in the last ten years since that reported incident in 2002? What we do know is how many there would have been had this monster, Sandusky, been stopped — zero. He would be rotting in federal prison, himself the victim of horrors I cannot imagine but vindictively wish upon him, rather than continuing to abuse young children.

And yet some of us have the gall to defend these men. Ask yourself what you would do if you saw a 50-year-old man raping a child in a shower? Would you leave without confrontation? I would like to think that I would do everything in my power to stop it. And I am not a former football player. I am a weak, gangly 21-year-old.

And ask yourself, what you would do if someone told you they had just seen a

50-year-old man raping a child in the shower? I would like to think that I would immediately call the police, if I were able to restrain myself from personally beating that human being — if you can call him that.

But they were protecting themselves and the institution, the multi-million dollar institution. And that is what those kids who protest in the streets are doing as well. They have bought into it, literally and figuratively, and they shame the victims by propping up fallen men.

Sadly, what we have witnessed at Penn State is nothing new. When Catholic priests were touching little boys in the confines of those safe and holy places, they were protected and shielded by the tradition of the institution.

It is the belief that an idea, a team, the Nittany Lions, the Catholic Church, Determined Spirit or whatever it may be, is more important than the individual. Be wary and be worried about the strength of idolatry, for it compels good men to do nothing.

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Clemson Dining Services Thanksgiving Hours of Operation

Tuesday, Nov. 22

****Harcombe:** 7am-2pm
Schilletter: 7am-2pm
***Clemson House:** 7am-7pm
Canteen: 8am-4pm
Fernow St. Café: 7am-3pm
Chili’s Too: 11am-4pm
POD: 8am-2pm
Paw Mart: 7:30am-2pm
POD Express: 7:30am-2pm
Seasons: Regular
Clubhouse Grille: Regular
Hendrix: 7:30am-4pm
Java City: 7:30am-2pm
Snax & Stax: 7:30am-2pm
Einstein Bros: 7:30am-3pm
Wendy’s: 10am-8pm

Wednesday, Nov. 23

***Clemson House:** 8am-6:30pm
Seasons: Regular
Clubhouse Grille: Regular
Hendrix: 7:30am-4pm
All other Locations: Closed

Thursday, Nov. 24

***Clemson House:** 8am-6:30pm
Seasons: 11am-2pm
Clubhouse Grille: Open til Noon
All other Locations: Closed

Friday, Nov. 25

***Clemson House:** 8am-6:30pm
Seasons: Regular
Clubhouse Grille: Regular
All other Locations: Closed

Saturday, Nov. 26

***Clemson House:** 8am-6:30pm
Seasons: Regular
Clubhouse Grille: Regular
All other Locations: Closed

Sunday, Nov. 27

****Harcombe:** 4:30pm-8pm
***Clemson House:** 8am-7:30pm
Seasons: Regular - Brunch
Clubhouse Grille: Regular
Java City: 6pm-1am
All other Locations: Closed

Monday, Nov. 28

All locations resume regular hours of operation.
Hendrix closed for renovation.

***Meal plans will be in effect through the holiday schedule at Clemson House.**

Clemson House will close as usual between meal periods

****Harcombe will re-open on Sunday, Nov. 27th at 11:00am for meal plans also.**

From the Editor's Desk...

BRETT MILLS

Editor in Chief



In last week's issue of The Tiger, the wonderfully wise Rory Goosen wrote an article that grappled with the issue of passion in sports. We celebrate the pageantry and raw emotion of collegiate athletics, but at what point does that cease to be a positive attribute? To echo Goosen: "At what point does passion become insanity?" A fine line exists between the two, and his article provided some sobering examples of what can happen when fans go too far in the name of school pride. In every case, their actions inadvertently left a trail of innocent victims in their wake. This begs the question: What if the schools themselves go too far? What happens when a university places its entire self-worth in its athletic prestige? Sadly, this is something that occurs all too often, and as the recent scandal at Penn State demonstrates, the results can be absolutely devastating.

What we are witnessing at Penn State is not simply the result of one man's heinous acts. Jerry Sandusky may have been the only one to carry out the actual abuse (and I certainly hope that he spends the rest of his life stewing inside a jail cell for it), but he is not the only guilty party. The entire leadership of Penn State University bears some responsibility for this tragedy. Everyone who knew the truth about Sandusky and made no effort to hold him accountable — from the president and vice president to the athletic director and football coaches to the janitors — is to blame for the massive scope of this tragedy.

Here was a legendary assistant coach — a pillar in the Penn State community — sexually abusing young boys and scarring them for life, and not a single person lifted so much as a finger to stop it. To stop it would be to make it public, to tell the world that a Penn State coaching legend was a sexual predator who had used university facilities to carry out his unspeakable crimes. Joe Paterno and Penn State could not do that. That would sully their reputation and undermine the great myth that was Penn State football. Penn State was the only powerhouse program who always did things the "right" way; unlike other, lesser coaching legends such as Bear Bryant, Bobby Bowden or Lou Holtz, "JoePa" was a selfless individual and outstanding coach who did not have to lie or cheat in order to win big. To publicly acknowledge that his right-hand man and former heir-apparent had sexually abused children right under his nose would be conceding that the man they idolized was a flawed human being. And that simply was not an

option. Image mattered more.

Yet as heinous as this all is and as much as our moral outrage compels us to (rightfully) condemn Penn State for valuing their reputation more than innocent victims, we must admit that a small part of us is subconsciously breathing a sigh of relief. We cannot ignore the little voice inside of us saying, "Thank goodness that's not us." For although we claim that we would have acted differently if we were in their position, would we really? How can we as outsiders make such a statement if we have never been in that position, if we ourselves have never endured the trauma of seeing the worst traits of human nature manifest themselves before our very eyes in someone that we love and respect? We cannot pretend to know how we would act when faced with such a situation, and until we acknowledge that, we leave ourselves vulnerable to the very same paralysis that gripped the people at Penn State if, heaven forbid, something like this ever did happen at Clemson.

The people at Penn State put the reputation of their football program first because they were too scared to deal with the ramifications of facing reality and destroying the myth that they had created. Such a myth was built on football, and we here at Clemson should take note of that. Now I am as big a Clemson football fan as you will find anywhere (I may or may not have cried after we lost to Georgia Tech in the 2009 ACC championship), but I think we all need to step back and assess why we're really here. Clemson University is first and foremost an academic institution, the product of Thomas Greene Clemson's vision for "a high seminary of learning" in South Carolina. IPTAY and Death Valley are integral parts of the Clemson brand, but they are only parts. As students, we pay thousands of dollars in tuition every year for our education and the right to earn a Clemson degree. And while I can think of few better places than Clemson on game days in the fall, the Clemson experience is so much more than that. The things we learn in our time at Clemson — both inside the classroom and out — matter far more than whether or not we win on Saturdays. A successful football program is an invaluable asset, but it should never become more important than the university itself. Penn State forgot that. Let us never do the same. As Goosen said, let us always "leave it on the field."

Go Tigers!
Brett Mills



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Paws up,

A teenage boy got stuck in the chimney of a house he was attempting to burgle in suburban Atlanta.

In San Jose, Calif., a man discovered \$500,000 worth of cocaine hidden in a used minivan he had recently purchased.

A farmer in South Africa was mauled to death by his pet hippopotamus, Humphrey.

A man in Margate, Fla., accidentally threw away his wife's engagement ring, but he proceeded to find it after just half an hour of scrounging through the local dump.

A man in Kampala, Uganda, has been arrested for constructing a pigsty from old election posters containing images of the president.

In response to the weak economy, a barber in Canton, Ohio, is letting clients choose how much they pay for their haircuts.

Six police cars pulled over a minivan near Chino, Calif., after a motorist reported seeing someone in the van waving a gun. The perpetrator turned out to be a child with a toy weapon.



Paws down

A 60-foot, 11,000-pound Christmas tree snapped while being hoisted to the top of a Macy's in Atlanta. The store has selected a backup tree.

A couple from Charlotte, N.C., is suing AirTran Airways for more than \$100,000 after being disturbed by cockroaches emerging from air vents and storage areas on a recent flight.

In Saguaro Lake, Ariz., a cat that had perched atop a 30- to 40-foot cactus for at least three days proceeded to climb down and wander into the desert.



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Not All Children Love Chocolate

JESSICA LAU

Columnist



It is estimated that Americans spent a total of \$7 billion on Halloween this year. \$2.2 billion of that went to buying candy, primarily chocolate.

Of particular note, this Halloween was the fifth annual Reverse Trick-or-Treating campaign, a national effort put on by Global Exchange. Why exactly was this international human rights organization so heavily invested in the Halloween tradition of trick-or-treating?

The reason is that about half of the chocolate consumed in the United States is made of cocoa sourced from the Ivory Coast, where the cocoa farms are run largely by forced child labor.

The International Labour Organization has estimated that 200,000 children are working on cocoa farms in the Ivory Coast, and at least 12,000 of them are victims of trafficking — which is to say, being lured by the promise of work and then transported to the cocoa farms and forcibly kept away from their homes. 64 percent of the children are under the age of 14, working with machetes and pesticides without any protective clothing. Unsafe working conditions, long hours and inhumane living conditions are standard.

Reports of the situation in Ivory Coast cocoa farms first surfaced in 2001. The U.S. government responded with the Harkin-Engel Protocol, also called the Cocoa Protocol. U.S. Rep. Eliot Engel, N.Y., and Senator Tom Harkin, Iowa, were the proponents of the international agreement, which brought together chocolate companies, non-governmental organizations and West African governments in order to raise labor standards.

It has been a decade since the agreement was signed, and serious doubts have been raised regarding its efficacy. One part of the agreement stipulated that the chocolate industry would come up with a set of standards to eliminate child slavery in the cocoa supply chain by 2005. After failing to reach this goal, the deadline for the implementation of these standards was pushed back to 2008. Even then, no progress was made.

Since the agreement was signed, the industry has sponsored projects such as building schools in the rural villages of the Ivory Coast; the goal was for more children to get an education instead of being sent out to find a job. However, a report by Tulane University found that between 2001 and 2009, less than 4 percent of the people in the Ivory Coast involved with cocoa production were aided by

the industry's efforts.

Admittedly, this is an international problem that cannot be resolved easily. Endemic poverty in the Ivory Coast is the key factor for the existence and acceptance of child labor there, because farmers do not get paid enough to afford hired help. Furthermore, the Ivory Coast government must agree to put resources into training the police to recognize and stop trafficking.

Yet surely more can be done. Certification of the integrity of the cocoa supply chain is not as straightforward as establishing regulations for USDA-certified organic products, since this issue reaches outside of the United States. However, there exists the precedent of fair trade cocoa products. Chocolate products by brands such as Green & Blacks and Trader Joe's Fair Trade are either certified organic or fair trade.

This is where the Reverse Trick-or-Treating campaign comes in. Participating families go trick-or-treating, handing out small fair trade chocolates in exchange for the regular candy received in order to raise awareness of the situation. Fair trade chocolate is more expensive; farmers are paid a higher price for cocoa that is produced under high ethical and environmental standards, as determined by the rules and audits set by the non-profit organization Fairtrade International.

Growing public awareness of the child slavery issue and criticism of the inefficacy of the Cocoa Protocol led the chocolate industry to sign another agreement last year. The companies agreed to reduce the number of children working in dangerous conditions by 70 percent by the year 2020.

While it is too soon to tell whether this new agreement will lead to long-term improvement, there are already indications that chocolate companies are stepping up to stop the problem. For example, the Mars chocolate company sourced 10 percent of its cocoa from sustainable and slavery-free sources this year, with the goal of using 100 percent sustainably sourced cocoa by 2020.

One thing is clear: it starts with the chocolate companies. The responsibility ultimately lies with them to work with Ivory Coast communities and insist on humane working conditions during the cocoa production process. Only when the demand for a fair trade product increases will the rest of the system begin to change. And finally, the general public cannot afford to remain ignorant about the problem. Child slavery is very much a reality in today's world, and it must not be forgotten.

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Letter to the Editor



Thank you for the great article on the Academic Success Center (ASC) in the Opinions section of the Nov. 11 issue; we sincerely appreciate the support you showed the ASC for several of our programs. Our mission is to enhance student learning, academic success and personal growth through inclusive engagement with the Clemson University community. We strive to do this through not only tutoring and SI programs, but also by offering a comprehensive workshop series and individualized programs like academic coaching and academic counseling. We also offer several services through the Academic Recovery Program specifically targeting students on academic probation and supporting their efforts to regain good academic standing. Our student employees (tutors and SI leaders) are trained using a nationally certified tutor training program (by the College Reading and Learning Association) to integrate "how to learn" with the content focus of "what to learn." With collaboration from faculty, tutors and SI leaders assist students in understanding the concepts from class so that they can then successfully complete out of class work.

This is an exciting time for us as we prepare to move into our new home — a building that President Barker describes as "a world-class facility." Our goal now is to live up to his challenge of developing "world-class programs like no other." In the time the ASC has been in existence, we have been recognized nationally and internationally for our programs, including tutoring, SI and as a learning center; so we are well on our way. We currently average more than 25,000 contact hours with Clemson students each semester; in Spring 2011, more than half the students using our services had a 3.0 or higher (25 percent had 3.5-4.0, 30 percent had 3.0-3.49, 23 percent had 2.5-2.99, 14 percent had 2.0-2.49, and 8 percent had less than a 2.0). Analysis of our data demonstrates a statistically significant improvement in freshman to sophomore year retention, scholarship retention and graduation rates for students who use our services. We will celebrate our 10th year in full operation in 2012, and it will be very exciting to do so in a building that will allow us to reach out to even more students. We are looking forward to taking the ASC to the next level. Please stop by to see us when you get a chance.

Sincerely,
The ASC Staff

Letters should be no longer than 400 words. Feedback from our website may also be considered for publication. Submissions must include the author's name, number or email address, hometown, class and major. All submissions will be checked for authenticity and may be edited for clarity and grammar. Space considerations may result in submissions being held for later publication. The Tiger reserves the right to print or edit all submissions.

"SALVATION ARMY NEEDS RINGERS"

It's that time of year again. Several local stores will allow the Salvation Army to have high school and college students "Ring the Bell."

If you would like to Volunteer to be a bell ringer for a two hour period any Monday thru Saturday from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm, please call Bell Ringing Chairman, Curt Davis at (864) 882-1684 or Captain Angie Langley at (864) 882-1160.

Thanks for your help as the need is greater this year than last year.



Not What I Came For

SAVANNAH MOZINGO

Columnist



Weekends used to be fun before college came and messed them up. Back home, it had been a solid guarantee that I would have at least two babysitting job offers and have to turn one down. Friday night would always find me knee-deep in some variety of Legos or in an extended reenactment of the latest episode of Hannah Montana. I pretended to be appropriately disinterested. I pretended that when I said, "Learn to share," it was because I was trying to instill good manners, not because I actually wanted to play with the particular toy.

Saturdays were routine: There was always — always — a cross-country meet to run or a play rehearsal to attend or a track meet to race. Every ounce of energy was beat out of me some way or another. All I could do afterwards was lie listlessly on an appropriate piece of furniture and plug through homework when I wasn't sleeping. In the evenings there might be get-togethers at a new restaurant downtown or in the cozy kitchen of a friend's house. We would play large games of manhunt until the Lowcountry mosquitoes forced us inside, where we would cool off with long swigs of sweet tea. It was understood that no one could stay out too late; there was church service in the morning.

This is the life I built for myself. Only once I came to college did I realize I had forgotten to build a wall; I never thought I would have to protect myself, my viewpoints or my mind so fiercely. Truly we are all the artist of our own lives; our choices are our paintbrushes and the results are left behind to stick on the canvas as a

reminder of who we created ourselves to be. But one of the most painful experiences for an artist is watching their work be destroyed.

Partying was supposed to be fun. Everyone told me "it was a necessary part of the college experience," that "it was no big deal." Parties are social hubs, sexual crockpots; what is a college student not to like, right? Then again, no one here knows me or else they would have been able to tell that my smile was forced or noticed my fingers drumming out nervous rat-a-tat-tats on my thigh.

Saying that I was out of my element would not be enough. Who was that random guy that just tried to dance with me? Was I supposed to say hello and introduce myself to anyone new? Where was I supposed to put my hands? Why was I the only one who did not seem to be having a good time? I had thought I had known what to expect — I had seen "Old School" — but this was not it. There was no dancing, just an overwhelming sense of complacency as kids chugged their cheap beers just like they were supposed to. It was disappointing, but what has not been in college?

I did not understand, and I still do not. We worked so hard to get here, to get the grades and the scholarships. Why then do we rush through class to get to the parties? The way society thinks today makes it so difficult to feel fulfilled without the false rush of excitement that the party scene brings. I felt guilty going, like I was less of a Christian, but I did not want to be holed up in my room every night. So where do I draw my lines? Do they even need to be redrawn? Does growing older necessarily mean that you need to change?

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I really have a problem with the fact that the Brooks Center — one of the few places commuters can park — is blocked off half of the time.

I hate the fact that the apartments downtown do not allow pets. I want a dog!

Yeah thats a good idea. As a teacher, let's make up a study guide for your students that does not pertain to the upcoming test at all. Your efforts are much appreciated.

This pickle is so delicious!

This is going to be my last Clemson vs. USC game due to graduating and I didn't get picked in the lottery. This stinks!

I hate when underage people hit on you in a bar, and you don't find out that they are underage until later.

Humidity ruins my hair.

Leaves and rain? There's no way I will make it to class without falling.

I think parking services has flagged my car.

TIGER RANTS

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What happened to Thanksgiving?

PERRY ROGERS

Columnist



Thanksgiving is a day that we all look forward to for many reasons. My own reasons include a huge turkey dinner, family togetherness and a kickoff to the Christmas season. However, Christmas has completely overshadowed Thanksgiving as a holiday. Thanksgiving has barely existed the last few years due to excessive Christmas anticipation. It used to be specifically for family reunion and big meals, but now it is merely the halfway point to Christmas after Halloween.

I remember Thanksgiving as the holiday that brought family together to be thankful for what they had. I know my family would

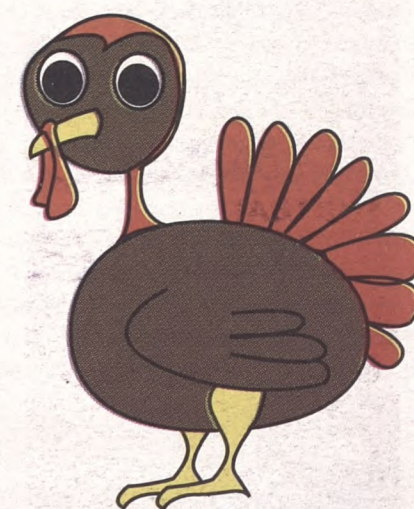
always say at least one thing we were thankful for. Cheesy as it was, it gave clear meaning to the day. Even if it was just the turkey about to be served, it meant we were well off enough to have this dinner for our relatives and friends. We were thankful for that moment. I looked forward to this feeling and the turkey dinner every year, and I still do. The problem is that Christmas is robbing this feeling from us.

Do not get me wrong, Christmas is, in my opinion, the best holiday. It is surely the most recognized and observed holiday at the very least. The problem starts when retailers put out Christmas-themed advertisements the day after Halloween. This is just a ploy to get people to buy more presents for Christmas. I mean, the Justin Bieber Christmas album came out Nov. 3, instantly making it the Christmas season for thousands of tween-age girls. The commercialism of Christmas

is starting to overpower other holidays in its wake.

One could argue that Thanksgiving has been reduced to "Black Friday Eve." Black Friday, of course, is the day after Thanksgiving when the holiday shopping season officially starts and many businesses make most of their money for the year. This day exists only because of Thanksgiving, yet now it in itself has started to overpower Thanksgiving. I know of at least five of my friends that go camp out at Best Buy as soon as Thanksgiving dinner is over. Now is that really what we as a society want to see? Giving up time with relatives to get a half-price flat screen?

You could blame the consistent trend of Americans becoming more and more materialistic as time goes on, but I choose to blame the retailers. Instead of waiting a little longer to put up decorations and put out



advertisements, they want to put people in the present-buying mood as soon as possible. If retailers put out ads the day after Halloween, then that means people are thinking about Christmas for approximately two months of every year. Do you really want one-sixth of your life to be consumed by Christmas? When you go home for Thanksgiving this year, cherish your time with family and friends a little more than you did last year. After all, who knows how much longer this sentimental holiday will even be around.

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SPORTS

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SCHEDULE

FOOTBALL

Saturday 11/19
N.C. State @ 3:30 p.m.
Raleigh, N.C.Saturday 11/26
South Carolina @ 7:45 p.m.
Columbia, S.C.

VOLLEYBALL

Friday 11/18
Florida State @ 7 p.m.
Clemson, S.C.Saturday 11/19
Miami @ 6 p.m.
Clemson, S.C.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Saturday 11/19
C of C @ 7 p.m.
Clemson, S.C.Tuesday 11/22
Coastal Carolina @ 9 p.m.
Clemson, S.C.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Monday 11/21
North Carolina A&T @ TBA
Greensboro, N.C.Monday 11/28
Furman @ 7 p.m.
Greenville, S.C.TIGER
SCORES

FOOTBALL

11/12 • Wake Forest
Tigers 31-28 Demon Deacons

MEN'S BASKETBALL

11/11 • Gardner Webb
Tigers 65-44 Bulldogs

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

11/11 • Davidson
Tigers 72-62 Wildcats11/13 • S.C. State
Tigers 83-38 Bulldogs

VOLLEYBALL

11/11 • N.C. State
Tigers 1-3 Wolf Pack11/12 • North Carolina
Tigers 0-3 Tar Heels

CARDIAC CATS CLINCH

Clemson escaped from a 14-point hole to beat Wake Forest and secure a spot in the ACC Championship game.



Dabo Swinney reacts after Chandler Catanzaro kicks a game-winning field goal as time expires.

CODY HANKS
STAFF WRITER

On Saturday, the Clemson Tigers clinched their second ACC Atlantic Division title in the past three seasons in dramatic fashion. The Tigers overcame a disastrous third quarter and an injury to standout freshman Sammy Watkins and rallied from a 28-14 deficit in the second half to win the game on a Chandler Catanzaro field goal as time expired.

The Tigers started the game with an 80-yard scoring drive that culminated with an Andre Ellington touchdown run from four yards out that made it 7-0.

Wake Forest's Cameron Ford caught a touchdown pass from Tanner Price near the end of the first

quarter to knot the score at 7.

Another Ellington touchdown run from one yard out put Clemson up by seven heading into halftime.

The second half, which has been good to Clemson all year long, was when the Tigers' defense struggled mightily, allowing 21 points in the third quarter as Wake Forest stormed out to a 28-14 lead.

Demon Deacon wideout Michael Campanaro scored on a 50-yard punt return early in the third quarter to tie the game up at 14. After an Ellington fumble, Wake's Brandon Pendergrass scampered in from 19 yards out to give the Demon Deacons their first lead of the game.

Pendergrass scored again with five minutes left in the third quarter to push the lead to 14 after

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd threw an ill-advised interception, his second of the game, to give Wake Forest the ball again.

Boyd finally hit his stride and found Brandon Ford for a 7-yard score toward the end of the third quarter. Boyd completed all five of his pass attempts on the drive. Watkins injured his right shoulder on a kickoff return and aggravated the injury later on a reception and was sidelined for the rest of the game.

After stopping Clemson on fourth-and-1 from its own 33-yard line with 10:25 left in the third quarter, Wake Forest had a chance to increase its lead to two scores. But normally reliable kicker Jimmy Newman missed his second field

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TIGERS DOWN GARDNER-WEBB

Clemson stepped it up in the second half to open the basketball season with a win.

BRYAN DOHERTY
STAFF WRITER

The groans could be heard throughout Littlejohn Coliseum as the Clemson men's basketball team left the floor at halftime tied with the Gardner-Webb Bulldogs 29-29. Despite holding Gardner-Webb scoreless for nearly eight minutes in the first half, the Tigers couldn't break away from their pesky Big South opponent, as the Bulldogs managed to make a late run on the strength of a few 3-pointers to close the deficit.

However, the Tigers used a dominant first 15 minutes of the second half to put Gardner-Webb in their rear-view mirror and coasted to a 65-44 victory. The win gave Clemson its 27th consecutive season-opening win and improved the

team's record to 4-0 all-time against the Bulldogs.

Clemson, coming off one of its more successful seasons in recent history, enters the 2011-2012 season forced to replace nearly 40 percent of its scoring and 30 percent of its rebounding with the departures of Jerai Grant and Demontez Stitt. One game into the season, it appears Coach Brad Brownell will be asking for a team effort in each department to replace the two former senior leaders. Brownell, despite having a roster littered with incoming freshmen didn't mind playing seven players double-digit minutes.

Early on, it appeared the Tigers were going to run away with their season opener. They opened up a double-digit

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thanks to
the NBASean Hans
columnist

It's that time of year again. The time when autumn leaves have fallen, the air is brisk and a time of reflection commences as we give thanks. For sports fans, it's the time when baseball has just come to another dramatic close, football is in full swing as teams prepare for the stiffer competition of winter, and basketball should just be getting started as new storylines begin to unfold. But as we approach this Thanksgiving, there is a void in that familiar cycle.

With Monday's decertification by the NBA Players Union (NBPA) following its rejection of the league's latest offer, the battle over the new collective bargaining agreement heads to the courts as the prospects for a 2011-12 NBA season head toward the toilet. As Commissioner David Stern put it, "We are about to go into the nuclear winter of the NBA."

Great. So in this time of giving thanks, I'd like to show my gratitude towards everyone responsible for taking our beloved NBA away from us:

First and foremost, I would like to thank the man at the top, Stern. His stubbornness in overseeing this lockout has brought us to this point. Had he been able to control his owners and present less-insulting initial offers, this would have ended weeks ago. The split of basketball related income (BRI) and league system issues would have been ironed out without personal vendettas that were created by his proposal that the owners take back an incomprehensible 14 percent of BRI.

Stern, whether deserved or not, is the face of this debacle. He is the only commissioner of a major sport to have now overseen two work stoppages. He was once considered the best commissioner in sports, a brilliant former lawyer who turned a failing sport with an image and drug problem into the most exponentially growing, globally marketable league in the world. Now he is being accused of halting the progress of his own league after its most exciting season in years, and his once untouchable legacy has been stained.

On the other side of the line, I'd like to thank Mr. Billy Hunter, the Executive Director of the NBPA. A former NFL wide receiver and one of the youngest United States Attorneys in history, he has headed up the players union since 1996. After "winning" the past two labor deals by out-negotiating Stern and the owners to give the players a better deal, Hunter, according to

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TIGERS & WOLFPACK

TEXTILE BOWL 2011

ANDRÉ FRIEDMAN/staff

TIM WENDEL
STAFF WRITER

In what will be the teams' 80th all-time meeting, Clemson travels to Raleigh, N.C., to face the North Carolina State Wolfpack. The Tigers hope to continue their streak of seven consecutive victories over N.C. State, their longest winning streak over any league foe since defeating Maryland eight times in a row from 1993-2000. Although the streak ensures that Clemson has had the Pack's number, nine of the last 14 contests have been decided by eight points or less.

Coming into the game, N.C. State (5-5, 2-4 Atlantic Coast Conference) will look to rebound after losing at Boston College, 14-10. After clinching a berth in the ACC Championship game, Clemson (9-1, 6-1 ACC) needs to come out focused and not become the victim of a 'trap' game with a matchup with South Carolina only a week away.

The 2011 season has been a tumultuous one for the Wolfpack. After losing quarterback Russell Wilson to Wisconsin, they have struggled to find the end zone and are scoring just 24 points per game, No. 83 nationally. Their longest winning streak of the season is two games, and they have been inconsistent from week to week. N.C. State hopes to end its seven-game losing streak against the Tigers and become bowl eligible with its sixth win of the season.

N.C. State's offensive attack is led by senior quarterback Mike Glennon, younger brother of former Virginia Tech quarterback Sean Glennon. He has thrown for 2,231 yards and 20 touchdowns but has not protected the ball well in throwing ten interceptions. Junior running back James Washington has done well in his first year as a starter, rushing for 676 yards and six touchdowns. Glennon's main receiving target has been senior wide receiver T.J. Graham, who has 31 receptions for 553 yards and five touchdowns.

After returning eight defensive starters, N.C. State has allowed 24

points per game, No. 51 nationally. They have allowed four opponents to score 30 points or more but have shown they can be formidable also, as they shut out North Carolina two weeks ago.

N.C. State leads all FBS teams with 20 interceptions. Sophomore cornerback David Amerson has accounted for half of them and leads all FBS players with 10 interceptions. Junior safety Earl Wolff leads the Wolfpack in tackles with 85. It's never a good sign when a defensive back holds the team lead in tackles because that means opposing offenses are getting into the secondary consistently. Junior linebacker Terrell Manning leads the team with 4.5 sacks.

Under first-year offensive coordinator Chad Morris, the Clemson offense has been nothing short of brilliant. Tajh Boyd has thrown for 3,017 yards, good for No. 9 nationally, while throwing 27 touchdowns and seven interceptions. Early in the season, Boyd showed continual improvement, but he has looked unimpressive in the past two games against Georgia Tech and Wake Forest, throwing just three touchdowns and four interceptions over the two-game span.

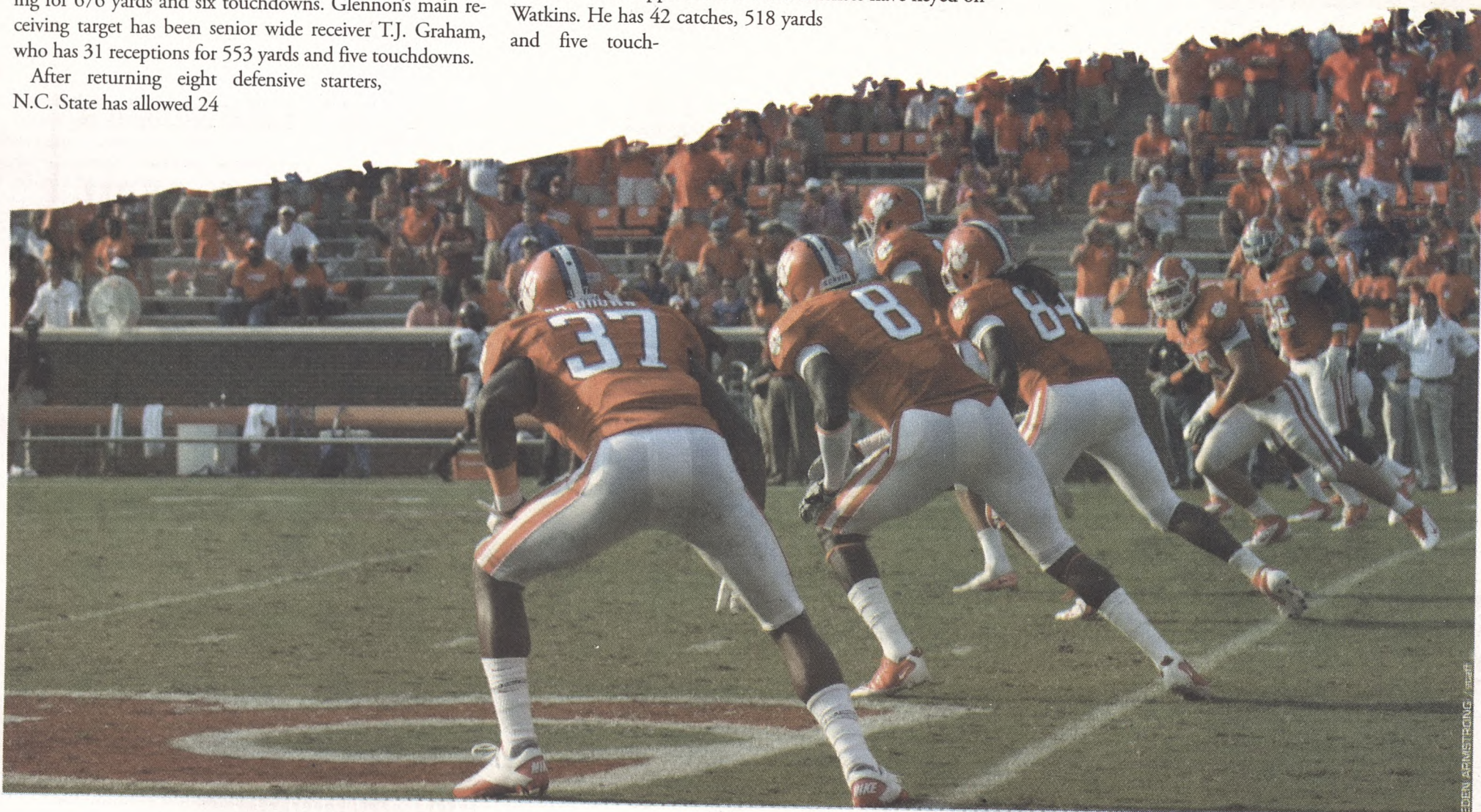
Running back Andre Ellington, who has already surpassed his rushing output from a season ago, will look to continue his success on the ground. Freshman sensation Sammy Watkins suffered a shoulder injury against Wake Forest last week but is listed as probable for Saturday's matchup. Watkins was recently named a Biletnikoff Award semifinalist, which is no surprise considering he has hauled in 68 passes for 1,034 yards and ten touchdowns. It is only the third 1,000-yard season for a Clemson receiver and the first since Aaron Kelly's 2007 season. Junior tight end Dwayne Allen has made the most of his opportunities when defenses have keyed on Watkins. He has 42 catches, 518 yards and five touch-

downs and was recently recognized as a semifinalist for the John Mackey award (given to the nation's top tight end).

Defensive coordinator Kevin Steele is used to his unit being the strength of the team, but that has not been the case this year. The defense has been bailed out by the offense numerous times this season and has allowed opponents to put up at least 25 points in five of the Tigers' 10 games. Defensive end Andre Branch leads an experienced Clemson front four with 8.5 sacks and 12.5 tackles for loss. Senior defensive tackle Brandon Thompson has impressed pro scouts and could possibly be a first-round draft choice in 2012.

After a lackluster performance against Wake Forest, Clemson's linebackers should have a good day against N.C. State's rushing attack, which ranks No. 111 in the nation. While Boyd has been spreading the ball around on offense, the Clemson defense has followed suit with regard to interceptions. Ten players have recorded an interception, while junior safety Jonathan Meeks leads the team with two.

Unlike last year's game in which Clemson was faced with a 10-point deficit at halftime and rallied to a 14-13 victory, the Tigers should win this one easily. N.C. State's offensive line will have trouble containing Clemson's talented defensive line, and Mike Glennon could force some errant throws due to pressure. A main concern for Clemson will be its passing attack against a team that leads the nation in interceptions. A key for Clemson will be to establish the running game early to take pressure off Boyd. N.C. State will compete, but it will have to wait a week to become bowl eligible against Maryland.



EDEN SPAIN/STAFF

Guidelines for Immediate Care of an Intoxicated Person

- ♦ **Never leave a person alone to sleep it off.** BAC can continue to rise after a person stops drinking.
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 - ⇒ **DO NOT try to restrain the person without (sober) assistance.**

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Clemson adds two to RING OF HONOR

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STAFF WRITER

Clemson added two new members to its most elite club this past Saturday, inducting both Jonathan Byrd and Susan Hill-Whitson into the Ring of Honor.

The Ring of Honor is the highest honor an athlete can receive from Clemson University, as certain criteria must be met in order for the candidate to be inducted. Chosen by a selection committee, the candidate must have a degree from a four-year institution, be a member of the Clemson Hall of Fame and maintain a record of outstanding citizenship.

Only 15 members have been inducted in Clemson's Ring of Honor since its establishment in September of 1994. The two newest members, Jonathan Byrd and Susan Hill-Whitson, marked the 14th and 15th members of the Ring of Honor class.

Hill-Whitson was a three-time All-American tennis player during her career at Clemson. A dominating tennis player during her high school years, Hill-Whitson set a Clemson milestone before enrollment becoming the first female athlete in any sport to receive a full-ride scholarship.

A member of the tennis team from 1977-1980, Hill-Whitson is the only female to be crowned ACC MVP for four consecutive years. Thirty years later, this accomplishment still stands in both the Clemson and ACC records books.

Hill-Whitson's talent has also allowed her to be one of two tennis players to win number-one singles titles four years in a row.

When Hill-Whitson was not competing in single matches, she was playing doubles with a family member. Hill-Whitson was able to share some of her most unforgettable memories at Clemson with her sister Carolyn, who was also a member of the tennis team. Those memories include one of Hill-Whitson's fondest, the 1979 ACC

doubles title that she claimed with Carolyn.

During her four-year career at Clemson, Hill-Whitson lost only one match in the ACC and helped Clemson go 17-1 against ACC teams during regular season play. As a team, Clemson produced an overall record of 83-26 throughout her four years with three top-15 rankings in 1978, 1980 and 1981. These accomplishments helped Hill-Whitson to be named to the ACC 50th anniversary team in 2002.

As an individual, Hill-Whitson had an overall singles record of 126-20 with an 82-percent winning percentage of her sets, two achievements that remain atop the Clemson record books.

Upon graduating from Clemson with a degree in administrative management, Hill-Whitson remained as an amateur and started a family of five with her husband John, a Clemson alumnus.

Byrd, a member of the Clemson golf team from 1996-2000, was also inducted into the Ring of Honor. The Anderson, S.C., native was also a first-team All-American, receiving the honor in 1999.

Like Hill-Whitson, Byrd produced various achievements throughout his Clemson career that made him a strong candidate for the Ring of Honor.

As a freshman, Byrd became the first Clemson athlete to earn first-team All-ACC honors for his efforts on the course. During that year Byrd had an impressive stroke average of 73.89 that included six individual top-10 finishes and a win when he captured the Puerto Rico Classic with a final score of 4-under par.

Byrd has numerous standing records from his four years at Clemson. He leads the Tigers with the most under-par rounds with 61, the most rounds of at par or better with 75, and the most rounds with a score of 75 or better with 129.

Along with his first-team All-American honor, Byrd was named an Academic All-

American twice, making him the first student athlete to do so at Clemson. Byrd also started on three ACC Championship teams and became the first golfer to start on four straight top-10 teams.

Byrd was also named Clemson Athlete of the Year twice in 1998 and 1999, was a member of the Walker Cup Team in 1999, and was a member of the United States Palmer Cup team in 1999 and 2000.

"It just kind of seems surreal," Byrd said. "You are not trying to think about those awards while you are doing it. You just try to perform to the best of your ability."

Byrd said his Ring of Honor induction would not be possible if it were not for the support he received at Clemson.

"Whenever you have success at anything, you start to think about the people that helped you get there, and you know it is not a single effort," he said. "I feel like there are a lot of people accepting this with me."

Byrd was very gracious about receiving the prestigious honor.

"Half of me is extremely grateful and humbled by it but another half of me is kind of like, this doesn't seem right," he said.

Now a successful player on the PGA Tour, Byrd feels that his achievements during his career at Clemson have more meaning.

"When I look back at Clemson, I think winning the ACC Championships are some of my most memorable achievements," Byrd said. "I think the achievements at Clemson are a little bit more meaningful."

Both Byrd and Hill-Whitson are still active within the Clemson family. When in the off-season, Byrd frequently attends Clemson football games and helped contribute to the new Larry Penley Clubhouse located next to the driving range on campus. Hill-Whitson is also involved, attending football games with her five children, three of which attend or have graduated from Clemson.



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NBA sources, has inexplicably taken a lesser role in these negotiations. Is it because he knows he can't beat Stern again? Is it that he knows he'll be fired if he doesn't "win" this deal so he is refusing to take the fairest offer that would let the players play? Is it a power struggle with NBPA President Derek Fisher that he is losing, and he doesn't care enough to take back control because he is still receiving his \$2 million-a-year salary while the locked out players miss checks? Maybe it's all of those reasons; maybe it's none of them. Whatever it is, Hunter has come up short this time around and is making NFL Players Union Director Demaurice Smith's labor negotiation loss look like a dazzling victory.

While we're on the NBPA, I'd also like to thank Union President Derek Fisher and the other player representatives who have taken part in negotiations. The players had no leverage to start the negotiations and have even less now. Fisher and other veterans such as Kobe Bryant, Kevin Garnett and Dwayne Wade have somehow mistaken a few years in college and a long career on the court for a law degree and negotiating experience. The players entering the negotiating room and attempting to take charge and pointing fingers at Stern (as Wade did) is the equivalent of Stern and his lawyers suiting up in jerseys to play pickup games against the players. Just like Wade, Garnett and Bryant are the best in the world at what they do, so is Stern. He is the Michael Jordan of the boardroom. These players that are negotiating the deal that every other player will have to live with for the next 10 years are the same ones who take no part in negotiating their own personal contracts. That is what agents are for, and while the players may want to take charge of their own prospects, they should have left the negotiating to the professionals. The power struggle between Hunter and Fisher should not be happening. The career lawyer who has negotiated for a living should be in control going against Stern, not the career point guard.

To top it off, most of the players negotiating will be unaffected by any new system in this collective bargaining agreement, whenever it is agreed upon. Superstars like Bryant and Wade will see the same, if not a greater

amount of money with the new deal, and they have earned it. But people forget they are negotiating for the majority — the mid and lower-level players who will see their future contracts cut in half while the superstars see a greater percentage of the new salary cap. I'm not saying this affects the motivation of superstar players to achieve the best deal; they obviously want that for themselves and future players. But while highly-paid players like Kevin Durant proclaim unity and refusal to give in to the league as games are missed, these superstars won't exactly be in need of money like the majority of the players (for whom they claim to be speaking) when checks don't arrive in the mail.

Professional athletes have a limited shelf life — the average NBA career is less than five years. Every player is now missing the precious few games possible to play, let alone be compensated for, and an injury could end their already abbreviated career at any moment. Old superstars like Bryant and Garnett can't afford to miss an entire season as they enter their twilight years. Elite players like Wade and LeBron James can't afford to miss a year of their athletic primes and dent their legacies. Youngsters like Blake Griffin and Stephen Curry can't afford to halt their growth into the future superstars of the league. Unheralded veterans like Leon Powe and Roger Mason can't afford to miss paychecks while they are still viable role players. But all of that will happen now — all because they thought they could step off the court and into the boardroom and still be the alpha males. And they were sadly mistaken.

Amazingly, after all that, I haven't touched the group most responsible for this mess — the NBA owners. This group of multi-billionaires deserves more thanks than anyone for the cause and present continuation of this lockout. They have attempted to bully the players into a deal more favorable for themselves because they claim to be losing revenue and operating at a loss. Some may argue that because the owners only received 43 percent of BRI the past few years — meaning that when all the income of the league is calculated, the owners get 43 percent, while 57 percent goes to player salaries — the percentage they are left with is too small to keep every owner from operating at a loss. Some will argue that the hectic fluctua-

tions of the economy have diminished revenue for the owners, but still the league has only grown and the owners received their fixed portion of the revenue. Some may blame the lack of ticket revenue, as tickets have become harder to sell as the appeal of watching from home for free become more enticing. Some may claim that without revenue sharing among the owners there will always be small market teams who cannot flourish. These are all possible factors, but even if all those issues were resolved, it would not solve the true problem — the decision-making of the owners themselves.

Owners overpay complementary players, give out contracts that are way too long and choose to buy their way out of past mistakes with even bigger free-agency mistakes rather than building economically through the draft. Now, rather than pulling themselves up by their bootstraps, they are looking for a handout. Instead of finding innovative ways to earn extra revenue, they want to dig into the pockets of the players. They are asking the NBA players to make up for their own mistakes.

Although the players have already agreed to give back 7 percent of BRI (about \$3 billion over the next 10 years), making the split an even 50-50, the owners are inexplicably asking for more. Aside from the fact that this is egregious in itself, the truth is that the players should be making a greater percentage of the revenue. The sports industry is a unique, employee-based industry in which the players are the product. The league is nothing without them, and they should be compensated accordingly. They do all of the work, put their bodies on the line day in and day out and have an extremely limited time in which to do so for compensation. Fans don't spend their good money on the Knicks because they like the way James Dolan runs the organization — they pay to see the players play.

What the owners fail to admit is that they know this. They know the players deserve more and they know they need to find new forms of revenue. They know that whatever loss they are operating at is just a minute blow to them financially because they have dozens of other forms of revenue — which is how they bought the team. They know that owning a sports franchise is not as much a business investment as it is an investment

in pleasure, and making a profit is not why they bought the team. They know all of this. They know they have mismanaged what had been an all too profitable business. But instead of admitting such and taking accountability, they're threatening to miss an entire season to make the players pay for their mistakes.

NBA viewership was at an all time high, and while we can pretend that the delayed start will only heighten anticipation, the reality is that the casual fan has already jumped off the bandwagon. All the work the league has done to clean up its image and market its product has been diminished. The exemplary status the league had built up has been stripped back down to its core by the greed and incompetence of all parties involved. The league will return to glory, yes, there are too many marketable stars and compelling storylines for it not to. But its image has taken a brutal hit. It is now the league of overpaid, selfish young athletes and vengeful, incompetent owners, overseen by a modern-day despot. Even if that's not true, the masses of casual fans have already begun to view it as such. Until this lockout is largely forgotten by the American conscience, it will hang over the once-promising future of the league.

Nobody should avoid fault here, not Stern, not Hunter, not Fisher and the players, and especially not the owners. They're all to blame. It took until October for negotiations to get serious as they made a last-ditch attempt to save a season they all knew was unlikely from the start. As fans of the NBA, we can thank them for preventing us the most anticipated season maybe ever. We can thank all of them that we won't get to see year two of the Big 3's drama in Miami, as James tries to overcome his playoff failures and somehow decide whether it's his or Wade's team. We won't get to see Dwight Howard, Chris Paul and Deron Williams in the last year of their respective contracts slowly tear out the hearts of Orlando, New Orleans and New Jersey fans who know their star is leaving. We won't get to see young stars like Griffin, Curry and John Wall take the next step to superstardom. We won't get to see the superstar-ego pairings of Carmelo Anthony and Amare Stoudemire in New York and Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook in Oklahoma City either gel together and succeed or clash like Shaq

and Kobe and miserably fall apart.

We can also thank them that we won't get to see teams like Los Angeles and Boston make that one final title run as their superstars enter their twilight years. We won't get to see young teams like Chicago and Oklahoma City continue to grow and maybe put it all together like they have the potential to. We won't get to see the hectic free agency period — like that of the NFL — when teams are making so many moves that you start the season not knowing who went where. We won't get to see the ultra-competitiveness of a shortened season, where every game means more than ever. And most importantly, we won't get to see Dallas attempt to repeat, as Dirk Nowitzki moves closer and closer to being one of the 10 greatest NBA players ever with each breathtaking fallaway.

We won't see any of that now that the season mostly likely won't happen. The players have decertified, and the fight goes to the courts, as the animosity between both sides will only continue to grow. Both sides will eventually look back at this and regret it. It was handled terribly by all involved, and we fans won't have our beloved NBA. It will be a sad realization for us to wake up on Christmas without the newly reignited rivalry of the Knicks and Celtics, a heated finals rematch between the Heat and Mavericks, and a battle of two legendary contenders in the Lakers and Bulls. And that's what has been overlooked in all of this — us, the fans. And not just the die-hards who watch a mid-January game between the Warriors and Bucks because we love the sport — they know we will be back. But it's all the casual viewers who have said last season got them back into the NBA. That viewership will be lost again and will have to be earned back. Only after Monday's events have we seen an apologetic tone from some involved. That's because they don't care about the fans that have supported them or the thousands of businesses that will suffer without the NBA, they care about greed and personal vendettas and "beating" the other side. And it will cause the entire sport more damage than any difference in BRI could ever inflict.

David Stern is right: We are headed for a nuclear winter in the NBA. I just hope we can emerge from our bunkers with some semblance of the league we knew before the war.

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Lady Tigers hold off Davidson, roll S.C. State

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Coach Ito Coleman's Lady Tiger basketball team is off to a flying start to the season after outlasting Davidson on opening night, 72-62, then smashing in-state foe South Carolina State, 83-38, two days later on Sunday.

It's easy to see that Coleman has stressed defense to her team, as they held Davidson to 37.7 percent shooting from the field before stifling S.C. State to the tune of an 18.5 percent shooting night. Conversely, the Tigers averaged 45 percent in the two games, including 40 percent from beyond the arc.

In the first half of Sunday's game, the visitors scored 11 points while Tiger center Shaniqua Paldo scored 15 points herself. She had 21 points in the game to lead the team. The Tigers would finish the contest with a plus-32 advantage in rebounds.

A recurring theme in Clemson sports this year has been the freshmen making an instant impact. Sammy Watkins did so for the football team, Brynjar Benediktsson, Phaniel Kavita, Amadou Dia and many more for the soccer team, T.J. Sapp and Bernard Sullivan for the men's basketball team, and now Nikki Dixon, Chelsea Lindsay and Kelly Gramlich for the women's team.

Dixon, a guard/forward from Alpharetta, Ga., made her Clemson debut against Davidson, leading the Tigers with 22 points, and followed that up with an 11-point effort against S.C. State. She was named ACC Rookie of the Week by the media on Monday.

Lindsay, a pure guard from Durham, N.C., also reached double-digits on her debut with 10 points and showed her versatility with four assists, four rebounds, and four steals. She continued her good play with seven points, seven boards, and six assists

in Sunday's win.

Gramlich, a guard from Austin, Texas, came off the bench to score seven on Friday and improved on that performance on Sunday with 15 points against the Bulldogs.

The most telling stat about the youth on this basketball team: 62 of the 72 points scored in the opener were scored by freshmen and sophomores.

Quinyotta Pettaway is one of those sophomores who have stepped up as team leaders, twice setting a career high in points this year. She tripled her high from last season with 12 points on Friday before continuing her hot start with 16 points on Sunday.

The quick start to the season has occurred simultaneously with the news that five more high school seniors have signed for the Tigers. These five players, all rated as four-star prospects by ESPN, make up the ninth-best class in the nation.

"I am very excited about the 2012 recruiting class," Coleman said. "We met every need with this group and were able to do so with some very talented players that will be able to come in and contribute right away. However, like any year, playing time will have to be earned in practice. This is a skilled group that has great character. They project well looking to the future."

Plenty of Clemson students have chuckled at the promotional video for the 2011-12 season that proclaims the Lady Tigers are "on the rise." With the strong start to the season and the news of next year's recruiting class, there is definitely plenty for Coleman and fans to be excited about in the near future. The Lady Tigers look to continue their early success at home against South Carolina on Thursday night before traveling to their first road game of the season against North Carolina A&T on Monday in Greensboro, N.C.

Ruck, McCormack lead Tigers in Southeast Regionals

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The Clemson men's and women's cross-country teams traveled to Louisville, Ky., this past weekend to compete in the NCAA Southeast Regional Championships.

The women's team finished fourth, just 14 points behind third-place North Carolina. Virginia won the women's team race and was followed by N.C. State and North Carolina respectively. Two members of the Tiger women's team made the all-region team, one of which was Alyssa Kulick. Kulick, a senior, made the all-region squad for the second straight season after finishing in eighth place, her best showing of the season. She posted a time of 20:34.3 over the 6,000-meter course at E.P. Sawyer Park.

Kim Ruck was also selected to the all-region team for the third straight season. Ruck, also a senior, had a season-best time of 21:03.2, which was good enough for 25th place. Ruck joined Tina Krebs as the only three-

time all-region runners in Clemson women's cross country history.

Natalie Anthony, a sophomore, was the Tigers' third best runner at the meet, finishing 27th with a time of 21:05.9, a personal best. The final two scorers for the Lady Tigers were sophomores Kate Borowicz and Cara Talty with times of 21:33.2 and 21:33.7, respectively.

The women's cross-country team now awaits word on a potential at-large NCAA Championship bid. The NCAA is expected to announce the 30-team field on Sunday by 8 p.m.

The men's team finished 17th in the meet. Sophomore Ty McCormack had a great day, finishing 18th with a time of 30:38.0 on Louisville's 10-kilometer course. McCormack became the Tigers' first all-region performer in cross-country since 2007.

The second-place runner for the men this past weekend was Aaron Ramirez. Ramirez finished in 70th with a time of 31:58.4. The final three scorers for Clemson were Jonathan Sunde, Martin Maloney and James Dwyer, who finished 86th, 112th and 141st, respectively.

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lead behind some hot shooting while clamping down on the Bulldogs defensively. Gardner-Webb was forced into many long contested jump shots early in the game and couldn't get much going to the basket off dribble penetration or in the post. As a result, the Bulldogs fell behind 26-13 before they started their rally. Unfortunately for Clemson, the hot start was only temporary. The Tigers finished the half making just two of their final seven shots, and a few 3-pointers late in the half helped give the Bulldogs' momentum heading into the locker room.

Fortunately, the Tigers were much better offensively in the second half, getting high-percentage shots on most trips, and Gardner-Webb self-imploded a bit as many might have expected coming in. The Bulldogs had a series of turnovers and poor defensive rotations that allowed the Tigers to open up their big second half lead. In fact, the Bulldogs didn't even break the double-digit point figure for the second half until about six minutes remained in the game. In a game where both defenses did a good job limiting offensive rebounds, it was imperative in this matchup to get good first looks because second opportunities simply weren't being created.



NATHAN PHOTOFEST / staff

Andre Young, one of four seniors on this year's team and the player expected to take over Stitt's point guard spot, led all scorers with 19 points in 36 minutes while connecting on three of his four attempts from behind the arc. Fellow senior Tanner Smith may have had the most complete game of any Tiger, as he managed to contribute in a multitude of ways. Smith, despite only scoring six points, contributed 14 rebounds, eight assists, five steals and two blocks, providing the Tigers with a consistent presence on the boards in a game in which they held a 32-23 margin.

Not to be overlooked was the debut of newcomer T.J. Sapp, the lone freshman starter, who logged 30 minutes in his first collegiate game with 11 points on 4 of 6 shooting, including three 3-pointers. Sapp showed few jitters on the floor and finished with a nice floating runner in the first half to the delight of those calling the game.

If there was an area of disappointment for the Tigers in their first game, it was the lack of aggressiveness, specifically up front. The Tigers' frontcourt combo of Devin Booker and Milton Jennings combined for just seven rebounds in the game and 18 points on 15 shots. Their leadership and experience will be a key in the coming months as the Tigers enter ACC play. On the other hand, Booker and Jennings limited much of any production from the Bulldogs' front line. Jennings' chase-down block on a Bulldog's dunk attempt sent Littlejohn into a roar, and a slight muscle flex from Jennings only added to the pleasure of the Clemson students.

All in all, the Tigers opener had a little bit of everything you'd expect in a team's first game. They had some rough patches in the first 20 minutes, but they settled in and eventually overwhelmed the Bulldogs and got off on the right track with a season-opening win. ACC play is a long way off for the Tigers and with five key players back from last season's NCAA Tournament team, there are reasons to be optimistic that the Tigers will be ready to roll come ACC play and contend for another NCAA berth.

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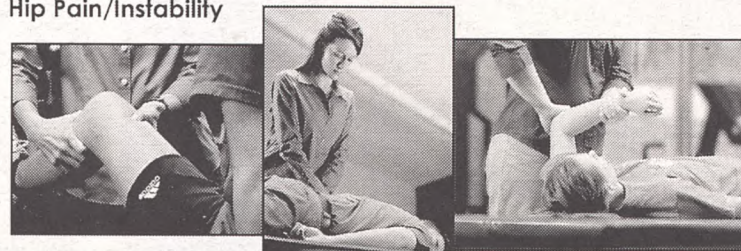
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FANTASY FOOTBALL: WEEK 11

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We're starting to get into the heart of the schedule, where we find out who's a contender and who's a pretender. Great teams are showing out when they seem to be challenged (see Patriots vs. Jets), and new players are emerging every week. Look for another great week of fantasy football even with the high number of teams on bye weeks.

PLAYERS TO START

Mark Sanchez, QB, Jets (at Broncos) – The Jets haven't played great lately, especially last Sunday night against the Patriots, but this week they will be going up against the Denver Broncos who have the league's worst pass defense. Giving up almost 20 points a game, the Broncos pass defense is begging Sanchez to have a great day.

Marshawn Lynch, RB, Seahawks (at Rams) – Lynch has been gaining steam over the past couple weeks, averaging 122 yards and a score per contest. Lynch will look to steamroll the Rams defense, which has been allowing career days to more than a few decent running backs. Start Lynch this week.

Michael Bush, RB, Raiders (at Vikings) – This guy is really filling in well for McFadden and deserves must-start status until D-Mac

returns to full health. After pulverizing the Chargers on Thursday Night Football, Bush shouldn't slow down against the Vikings this week. With a now-balanced "Silver and Black" offense, look for Bush to have another big day.

Dwayne Bowe, WR, Chiefs (at Patriots) – I'm a little shaky with this pick because Matt Cassel is out and will be for a while. That means Bowe will be the main target for the new quarterback, whether it is Ricky Stanzi or Tyler Palko. Bowe is the best receiver on the team and one of the Chiefs' last available weapons, so he will get his touches.

Brandon Marshall, WR, Dolphins (vs. Bills) – Marshall has had a decent year given that he hasn't had a respectable quarterback his whole career in Miami. This week he's clashing with the Bills secondary, which has been the Achilles' heel of the Bills D this year. Marshall should have a pretty good day Sunday.

Antonio Gates, TE, Chargers (at Bears) – Gates has been hampered by injuries most of the year, but he has come alive over the past month with 277 yards and two touchdowns. Gates will look to have a productive day against the Bears, who aren't giving up much on deep routes. Look for a lot of underneath routes to Gates.

PLAYERS TO SIT

Tony Romo, QB, Cowboys (at Redskins) – Romo and the Cowboys have been playing

pretty well lately, but Romo will be throwing against the harsh secondary of the Redskins, arguably the only unit on the 'Skins that is playing well. The Cowboys will rely heavily on the run against the Redskins this week.

Beanie Wells, RB, Cardinals (at 49ers) – Wells is going up against the 49ers this week without a passing game or a quarterback to help him out, and the 49ers defense hasn't allowed a rushing touchdown or a 100-yard rusher all year. Wells will not have a strong showing this week.

Chris Johnson, RB, Titans (at Falcons) – The fastest player in the league has been building momentum lately, but Johnson will run into a brick wall against the Falcons. Their run defense hasn't given up much on the ground, especially against quick, shifty runners like CJ.

Vincent Jackson, WR, Chargers (at Bears) – Jackson has been playing inconsistently this year and he will be lining up against a Chicago defense that held Calvin Johnson to under 100 yards and no touchdowns last week. Jackson will have a tough time Sunday.

Eric Decker, WR, Broncos (vs. Jets) – The Broncos look to be transforming into the lone option team in the NFL and that doesn't bode well for Decker or any of the Broncos receiving corps. The surprise deep pass could get him some points, but only two completions a game isn't enough for any receiving corps.

Jake Ballard, TE, Giants (vs. Eagles) – Ballard

has been pretty inconsistent this year. He only has three touchdowns to his name, and he will have another challenging day against the Eagles defense that has only allowed four touchdowns. No tight end has had over 100 yards all year against Philadelphia.

PLAYERS TO PICK UP

Carson Palmer, QB, Raiders (at Vikings) – Palmer has immediately proven his worth after being in the system for only a few weeks. With four top-10 quarterbacks on bye week or out with injury, Palmer is a good pickup, and he could, in time, become a must-start. Palmer is my pick of the week this week.

Kendall Hunter, RB, 49ers (vs. Cardinals) – Hunter is emerging as Frank Gore's protégé, making this 49ers offense that much better on the ground. Gore is pretty banged up after playing through an ankle injury and leaving the game with a knee injury. Hunter will be right there to pick up the slack as the 49ers continue to roll against the Cardinals.

Denarius Moore, WR, Raiders (at Vikings) – Moore has become Carson Palmer's new favorite target after a 123-yard, two-touchdown day last week. Moore is part of a talented, speedy Raiders receiving corps, but he will get more looks this week against a Vikings secondary that has been ripped lately. Moore is a solid fill-in for a flex play this week.

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goal of the game and the lead remained at seven.

Boyd and the Tigers capitalized with an 80-yard touchdown drive capped by a 10-yard touchdown catch by Jaron Brown. The Clemson defense forced a three-and-out on Wake Forest's next possession, but Clemson kicker Chandler Catanzaro missed a 30-yard field goal on the ensuing drive.

The Clemson defense came up huge again, however, as Brandon Thompson and Rennie Moore combined to sack Price on third down and forced another Wake Forest punt. This one would lead to the game-winning drive.

After getting the ball back with just 42 seconds left, Clemson went to work. Boyd com-

pleted two straight passes to Dwayne Allen for two first downs before delivering a strike to Adam Humphries to move the ball to the Wake Forest 26-yard line.

After Wake coach Jim Grobe attempted to ice Catanzaro twice with timeouts, the sophomore nailed a game-winning 43-yard field goal from the right hash after missing from 30 yards just minutes earlier.

After time expired, players and fans rushed the field after the dramatic finish that determined the ACC Atlantic winner. The win finished off Clemson's first undefeated home season since 1990. The Tigers will play for the ACC Championship on Dec. 3 in Charlotte, N.C.

Clemson will face N.C. State next week before traveling to Columbia, S.C., to take on archrival South Carolina.

Tigers drop two in North Carolina

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The Clemson volleyball team traveled to the state of North Carolina in hopes of coming back to campus with two more conference wins to its name.

Clemson took on the North Carolina State Wolfpack in an ACC showdown that has been historically dominated by Clemson, with the Tigers winning 27 matches in a row against the Wolfpack.

Although the Tigers battled for the whole night, they dropped a 3-2 (25-19, 23-25, 25-23, 23-25, 11-15) match that broke their incredible winning streak.

Mo Simmons and Sandra Adeleye each had five kills in the first set, helping the Tigers to two crucial runs. Clemson started the set off with a 10-5 run and was able to stave off the Wolfpack attack to close out the set on a 5-1 run to win 25-19.

The second set was a battle for both sides, as Clemson's own Serenat Yaz led the Tigers in the set with five kills and six digs. Tied at 18, N.C. State went on a 4-1 run giving them just enough to win the set 25-23.

Trading sets was the standard for the night as Clemson won the third set 25-23 as Simmons used a kill to spark a 6-0 Clemson run. Nearing the end of the set, the Wolfpack came within one point at 24-23 before Simmons once again recorded a crucial kill for the tigers. That set, Clemson hit .244 as a team, while N.C. State was held to .125.

The fourth set saw multiple streaks of points by both teams. The two teams traded points for most of the set as N.C. State came out on top in the end. The Tigers didn't go down easy, as they used a 9-2 run to tie the set at 16, and then another 6-1 run to come within one point of the Wolfpack at 23-22 before the Wolfpack finished off a 25-23 win.

The last set of the night contained many errors by the Wolfpack including a service error. Adeleye came up big with a kill for Clemson to pull the score within one point at 5-4 early on. With the two teams tied at 10, N.C. State was able to close out the set and win the match.

Clemson junior, Serenat Yaz, recorded her 11th

double-double of the season with 12 kills and 18 digs. She also added four assists, two blocks and one service ace. Simmons and Hanna Brenner also had double-doubles. Simmons had 14 kills and 15 digs, and Brenner posted 43 assists and 10 digs against the Wolfpack.

Clemson fell to 18-9 (10-6 Atlantic Coast Conference), while N.C. State improved to 18-11 (6-10 ACC).

Without much rest, the Tiger volleyball team traveled to Chapel Hill, N.C., the next night to take on the Tar Heels.

It was Senior Night for North Carolina, which powered the Tar Heels to a 3-0 (21-25, 17-25, 22-25) win in the match.

The first set saw UNC jump to a 10-2 lead and then push it to 17-7. While the two early deficits seemed insurmountable, the Tigers had an 8-2 run to pull the score to 19-15. The Tigers fought off three straight set points before dropping the first set 25-21. Clemson tallied 20 digs and three blocks in the first set.

The second set had Clemson even with UNC at 7-7 before the Heels went on a 7-3 run. Kristin Faust and Yaz each had three kills and Alex Rand had two blocks, but it wasn't enough as the Tar Heels used an 8-1 run to close out the second set, winning 25-17.

Rand had three blocks early in the third set, putting Clemson on top with a 6-2 lead. The two teams went back and forth until Clemson held a 21-19 lead late in the match. Their attempt to win their first set of the night was unsuccessful as UNC went on 6-1 run to close out the third set, winning 25-22 and 3-0 in the match.

Simmons recorded 10 kills and four blocks, while Rand had nine kills and eight blocks. Brenner had a double-double with 35 assists and 12 digs, giving her two for the weekend. Faust had six kills and three digs off the bench.

The Tigers fell to 18-10 (10-7 ACC) and the Tar Heels improved to 21-7 (13-4 ACC). Clemson will have a chance to rebound from the two losses with matches against Florida State and Miami on Nov. 18 and 19.

STAFF PICK'EM

Clemson @ N.C. State
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THE MOUTH OF THE WHOOPiE

BRADY BROWN

One of the more humorous moments in Judd Appatow's "Funny People" starring Adam Sandler arises from showing clips from Sandler's character, George Simmons', fictional films. (Simmons, like Sandler, is a comedian-turned-movie star.) The clips blast the absurdity of modern blockbuster comedies — those ridiculous plots dependent on happenstance, gross-out humor, etc., which simply put are just bad.

With the release of Sandler's most recent vehicle, "Jack and Jill" (in which Sandler plays both a man and his own twin sister) it begs to ask the question: Did Sandler ever watch his own movies?

Now I'll be honest, I haven't seen "Jack and Jill," and I definitely don't plan on seeing it — ever. Call me a snob, but the movie just doesn't look like my cup of tea. I dare you to watch the trailer and not cringe. And hey, if this movie is your sort of thing, then my apologies. Alright, that's a lie. If you really want to see this movie you should probably reevaluate everything about yourself.

Perhaps I'm being harsh, but this "comedy" really does look abysmal. All that aside, I guess I should get to my point. The fact is, Adam Sandler isn't a bad actor. He has put forth some good work. His early efforts such as "Billy Madison" and "Happy Gilmore" are definitely guaranteed laughs.

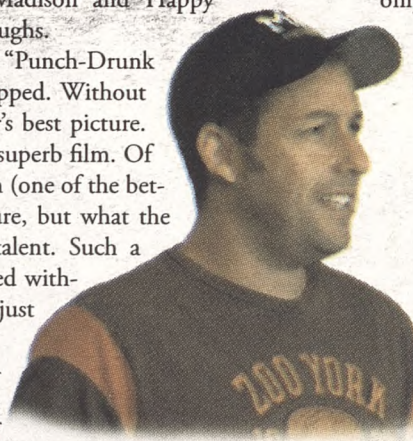
However, it's in P.T. Anderson's "Punch-Drunk Love" that Sandler's true talent is tapped. Without a doubt, this is the former SNL star's best picture. It's touching, hilarious and simply a superb film. Of course it didn't hurt having Anderson (one of the better current directors) helm the feature, but what the movie proved is that Sandler has talent. Such a unique movie would not have worked without an effective lead, and Sandler just nails it.

And that's why I consider the recent release of "Jack and Jill" such a bleak moment in Sandler's career. Of

course it's inherent that, as a commercial comedy actor, the man will lay some stinkers. But at this point in his career, he really doesn't have to take it this far. The man has enough money (I can only assume), so I have to ask: Why sell out?

"Funny People" mocked exactly what Sandler is currently doing so well. The worst part is with the time and effort Sandler used in making "Jack and Jill," he could have maybe been part of a movie with a capacity for greatness. It truly is a shame.

Sandler should take note from Bill Murray, also a former SNL and comedy blockbuster star. Murray is extremely selective in his picture choices and has only gotten better in age. (For the most part, any movie he's in from the last decade is pretty good — sometimes flat-out great.) Obviously it's no easy task. But I think if Sandler wanted to put forth the effort, he'd have it in him.



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ELLEN MENY

THE APPLICATION ESSAY

Clemson University has no application essay. For the engineering and mathematics students among us, this is fantastic. For the liberal arts majors among us — me and a girl who lives down my hall — this is terrible. However, did you know that Clemson once had an application essay? They had to remove it for unknown reasons; however, I recently discovered an application essay of a student who was accepted to Clemson that may solve the mystery:

"Hey, bros. You might be wondering why I want to go to Clemson. Well, I'll tell you. The name is Dangerfield, Chad Dangerfield, and ever since I punched my way out of my mom's uterus I've always been on the lookout for an awesome new experience.

"I've roamed the world, taking on new challenges everywhere I go; from blowing up a terrorist nuclear base to baking cookies for an entire troop of girl scouts. Some things that I've done are too explicitly violent to write in this essay. Some are so violent that thousands died. Some may not be true. This is why I want to go to Clemson.

"I would be a great addition to Tigertown because of three main points. One, I'm Chad Dangerfield. Two, my muscles are patented. Three, my parents own all of the watermelons on the east coast. Four, I have a picture of Sammy Watkins tattooed on my left thigh. People love me at my high school like a fat kid loves cake. Chicks dig me and gay dudes adore me, but gay dudes are gay so I stay away from those dudes. No offense. I am alcohol and drug free, 100 percent, no contest, except on Saturdays. Some of my extracurricular activities include co-president of the Bro Club, a four-year member of the Fantasy Football Club, and JV Lacrosse.

"Now, I would like to address my 1.4 GPA. Chad Dangerfield is extremely intelligent. The problem is, I'm just too advanced for high school. My brain is even bigger than my muscles, which is saying something, and the classes in my school just don't hold my interest, especially remedial English. I'm big on books too; it's just that I need some more hardcore reading — for instance, last summer, I read 'Spot Goes to the Park.' Damn, what a challenging but mentally stimulating read. But as you can see, my intelligence doesn't need to be measured. My mind needs to fly free like a bird, like one of those eagles in the Amazon who eat sloths. How intense is that? Almost as intense as my intelligence.

"You might be wondering what kind of a person Chad Dangerfield is. What makes up his ripped body, chiseled features and beautiful face. I've faced many ethical challenges in my life and have come out of all of them a bigger man, but this one was way more challenging than any other.

"I was walking to Pre-Pre-Algebra one day when I saw this hot chick walking down the hall, but she had a Gamecocks shirt on. She ran up to me and was all crying and asked if I could help her find her laptop. I was faced with a decision: Should I help her find her laptop or laugh at her and then bang her at a party instead? I thought for a minute, and then Chad Dangerfield did the right thing: I found her laptop, and then I banged her.

"So this is why you should accept me into Clemson. I am a cool bro who will make all your dreams come true, ladies of the admissions staff. Chad Dangerfield will drink some cold brews with you, men of the admission staff. Chad Dangerfield will rock Clemson's world, and that's my college essay."

TOP 5 REASONS TO VISIT

ASHEVILLE

MEGAN MADDEN

During the fall and winter months, Clemson and its surrounding mountain areas are a beautiful place to be, but with football season winding down, you may be looking for some other fun ways to spend your weekend. Being that it is a quick 90-minute drive from Clemson, a visit to Asheville, N.C., will be just that! Here are the top five reasons why you should not miss this place:

1 Christmas at The Biltmore

America's largest house, the self-sustaining Biltmore Estate is an incredible sight any time of year, but during the holidays it is extra special. You can visit during the day or tour the house at night during their Candlelight Christmas Evenings. With 250 rooms, an indoor pool, bowling alley and 65 fireplaces, you will not regret seeing this American landmark.

2 Tupelo Honey Café

With two equally delicious locations (Downtown and Southside), Tupelo Honey Café is one of Asheville's best restaurants. Open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner, they serve southern favorites made with local, fresh ingredients. The sweet potato pancakes are incredible, and they offer an awesome beer selection from many of Asheville's microbreweries. To ensure that you don't miss out on this Asheville treasure, be sure to make a reservation!

3 The Orange Peel Social Aid and Pleasure Club


Previously featured in Rolling Stone Magazine as one of the nation's top five rock clubs, The Orange Peel hosts up-and-comers and legends alike. Most shows are standing room only, and there are two bars serving beer and wine. It has the sound and lighting capabilities of the big-name venues with the laid back, local vibe Asheville is known for. Upcoming shows include moe., Jars of Clay and Kate Voegele with Parachute.

4 Shopping

Asheville is home to countless locally owned stores. Walking the streets of downtown will bring offerings of vintage clothes, handcrafted woodworks, gourmet food stores and of course, Urban Outfitters. Downtown is great, but be sure to take your GPS and head to the J.Crew Clearance Store. It's slightly out of the way in neighboring Arden, N.C., but with prices that beat the outlets (you can snag pea coats and cashmere sweaters for under \$50), it's worth the extra effort. Asheville is also home to Mast General, The Grove Arcade and several shopping malls.

5 The Blue Ridge Parkway

Asheville serves as headquarters to this 469-mile scenic roadway. With countless scenic overlooks and nearby trails and campgrounds, this is definitely worth seeing. From Asheville's numerous parkway access points you can be on your way to popular stops such as Grandfather Mountain and Looking Glass Rock. You can drive for miles or do a quick trip, but with all the colorful leaves at their peak, now is one of the best times to take a drive on this picturesque highway.



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The Melting Point

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SATURDAY
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NOVEMBER

Acoustic Syndicate
The Orange Peel

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Contra Dance
The Grey Eagle

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MONDAY
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NOVEMBER

Beard of Comedy
Caledonia Lounge

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Carolina Chocolate
Drops
The Orange Peel

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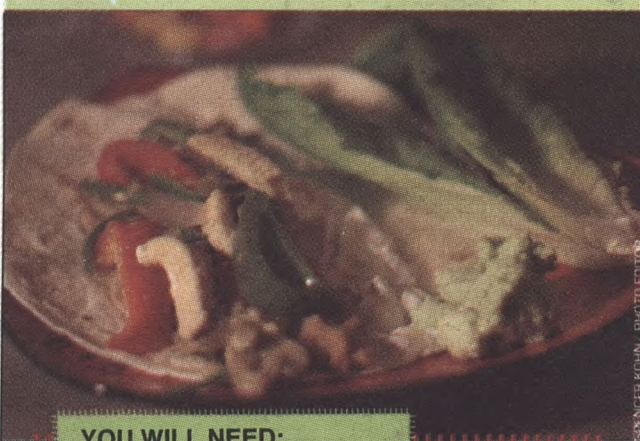
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RECIPECORNER

FAJITAS

SAVANNAH MOZINGO

There are many upperclassman privileges that the freshmen envy. You don't get lost on campus (sober at least), you're not forced to drive people around on the weekends, and you can live in an apartment with your own room and access to a kitchen. The only trump card a freshman has is the smug knowledge that we might actually be able to get jobs when we graduate. But you can cook your own food, and right now, six weeks into Harcombe, that's all that matters. I can bet though that you're still a regular student with the usual problems: time and money — there's just not enough. To take all the guesswork out of meal times, The Tiger has made your grocery list for the week to streamline costs and the amount of crap in your refrigerator.



YOU WILL NEED:

- 1 lb boneless skinless chicken breast
- 1 red onion
- 1 pepper of your choosing (I used a bell. You know? The green one?)
- 1 small carton of mushrooms
- 1 garlic clove
- 1 package of tortillas
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- *sour cream
- *guacamole (The pre-made packages are cheapest and quite yummy)

+ The great thing about fajitas is the ingredients are incredibly common in other recipes, so nothing will go to waste.

1 Pour a little vegetable oil into a skillet and turn the stove on high heat.

2 Slice the chicken into thin strips and put them into the skillet to cook for about 5 minutes.

"What you don't use can be put into a Ziploc bag to be put into the freezer until it's needed again. Poultry is the white canvas of the culinary world — you can make an infinite amount of yummy and delicious meals with it."

3 Slice 1/2 of the pepper, 1/3 of the onion, and 1/4 the carton of mushrooms. Mince the whole garlic clove. Add all of the vegetables into another skillet on medium heat to sauté.

4 Once the chicken is thoroughly cooked and the vegetables are cooked to your liking, turn the heat off. Put the tortillas between two damp paper towels and microwave for 20 seconds.

5 Now feel free to put as much of each ingredient onto your tortilla as you'd like. Add a dollop of sour cream and/or guacamole if desired.

For the yummy vegetables left over, add lettuce and you have a gorgeous salad. Add Asian noodles and soy sauce with the mushrooms and peppers and diced chunks of chicken for an oriental noodle bowl. Any extra tortillas can be used to make sandwich wraps or combined with cheese to make quesadillas.

Brunch in Athens

RESTAURANT REVIEW

ARTICLE AND PHOTOS BY KATIE QUEEN

Nothing hits the spot quite like a delicious Sunday brunch, particularly after a busy Saturday of watching football games. Last week, I talked about my experience of being a Dawg for a game day in Athens, Ga. What I didn't address was having the best brunch food I've had up to this day.

My friend suggested that we go to Five and Ten, a well-known restaurant on South Lumpkin Street. When I first looked at the menu online (Eating Out Rule No. 1: Always read the menu before going to a restaurant), I noticed that dinner at this establishment was a little on the pricey side. It seemed like it was definitely a good choice for post-work drinks and appetizers or even a first date. Given that first impression, I was shocked by how good a deal the brunch menu seemed to provide customers.

When we were trying to find the restaurant, we actually walked past it at first because Five and Ten is housed in a very unassuming building. My theory is, if you walk past a place that is known for its good food, you know you're in for a treat because they're not trying to use a flashy entrance to overcompensate for a less-than-stellar menu.

Upon walking in, Five and Ten was very nice yet unimposing. The bar in the back corner was my favorite part because it was painted white with lots of mirrors and glass. It looked traditional yet somehow modern and served as a great focal point for the décor. It also set the tone of the restaurant as being upscale yet relaxing for a brunch.

The best surprise was getting a little warm plate of mini biscuits and coffee cake squares when we sat down and decided on what to order. Both were clearly homemade since the biscuits were perfectly flaky and the coffee cake was perfectly moist.

I decided on the buttermilk biscuits and andouille sausage gravy since biscuits and gravy are the quintessential Southern breakfast, and, if done correctly, can be to die for. I'm pleased to report that my decision was one of the best in my entire weekend. Five and Ten added a little twist by topping an opened homemade buttermilk biscuit with scrambled eggs and then dousing the entire setup with andouille sausage gravy. I am not a huge fan of scrambled eggs, but these were absolutely cooked to perfection, which I had never experienced before. The gravy was a nice change from the norm because the sausage added a bit of sweet spiciness that

blended well with the eggs and biscuits.

The last section of the dish that surprised me was the variety of lettuces tossed with vinaigrette. This served as a great, light break from the heaviness of the biscuits, eggs and gravy. Oddly enough, the best part of the meal was the check — \$15 for a gourmet meal, yummy bites of pastry and a delicious cup of coffee that was refilled without even asking.

I definitely recommend that you experience Five and Ten for yourself if you are in the Classic City on a Sunday morning. I look forward to my next trip to Athens when I can experience one of the best brunches yet again.



Beer Snobbery 101

EDEN ARMSTRONG

Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. Therefore, I would like to highlight and review a few seasonal beers that could go great with some turkey, pumpkin pie or Christmas ham. There are many pumpkin spiced beers, hard ciders and even winter lagers made just for these festive times.

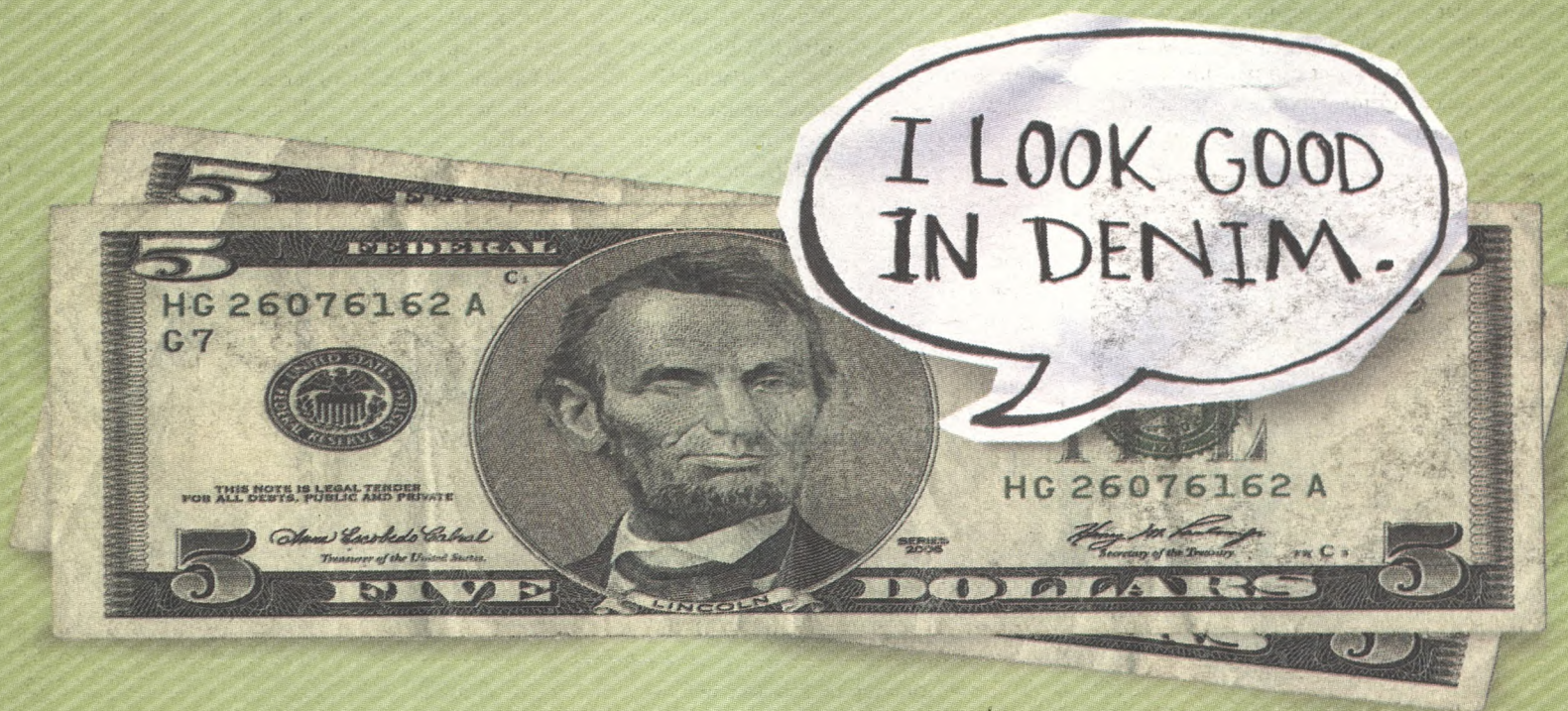
Blue Moon Brewing Company produces a Harvest Pumpkin Ale that is normally available September through November. This ale is a bit more amber than the traditional Blue Moon and is meant to encompass the pumpkin spice flavor that Starbucks and other major beverage companies love to bring back every fall. Flavorings like vine-ripened pumpkin, all-spice, Nutmeg and cloves are added to create this seasonal experience according to the Blue Moon website. However, being an enormous fan of all things pumpkin, I think Blue Moon came up a bit short with this ale. The pumpkin flavor is all but hidden and barely an aftertaste. So next week when looking for a pumpkin spiced beer to go with that turkey and stuffing, find something else.

How many people, prior to being the magical 21, would sit around a fire or the Christmas tree with a cup of hot apple cider? Well, if that's your thing now that you're of age, you're in luck! There are many hard ciders out there to strike your fancy. And when it comes to beer, many of those who don't like the normal hoppy taste tend to enjoy this alternative. The most popular hard cider is Woodchuck. Woodchuck produces many different varieties of cider, including the original Amber, Granny Smith, Pear and

Raspberry. I would suggest grabbing either the Amber or Granny Smith this Christmas to celebrate those new beer mugs you got from Santa. Both of these have that cider taste with a hint of bite given by the alcohol. Another hard cider I would suggest trying is Strongbow cider. Strongbow is imported from the United Kingdom and is for the more seasoned beer drinkers. It has a harsher flavor than Woodchuck, but I personally prefer it any day.

Lastly there are the winter ales produced to give you warmth during these cold times, unless you live in South Carolina where it's warm all year. Magic Hat is a brewing company that holds a special place in my heart. Magic Hat's #9 can be found more commonly than some beers and is the one that let this beer snob know there's more out there than Busch and Naty Light. Every winter Magic Hat produces their Winter Howl. It is described as "a black as night winter lager" by the brewing company's website. This black lager is a decent winter choice and has made my holidays happy many years in a row. The website even lists a brown bread recipe that combines this winter lager and oats to create a very satisfying Christmas treat to share with friends and family.

Well there you have it fellow Tigers, beers to enjoy while eating leftover turkey and watching us destroy those little chickens or to leave out for Santa with some sugar cookies so you get that Droid tablet or iPad you've been wanting. Go explore the fall and winter seasonals this break and don't forget to find a pumpkin ale to cherish!



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On the Prowl

BY: ANITA JOHNSON

Ladies, have you ever had to fake an orgasm because the guy just wasn't doing it for you? Or guys, have you ever had a girl act tired halfway through making out while you're extremely ready to go at it? Well, the problem is usually getting the girl excited enough or not realizing when you haven't done this well enough. This week I'm going to explain the importance of foreplay and a few ways to get her juices flowing.

Foreplay can range from making out, dry humping, digital play, a snack for the guys or some fellatio fun for the ladies. But the form of foreplay doesn't necessarily matter as long as it gets the job done. If you can't get the guy ready to go, clearly sex won't occur. However this is not necessarily the case with the ladies, except it won't be as satisfying. Guys, some girls will appear ready even when not because they are hoping once you get things going they'll get more into it, but it is your job to get her there and know when she's ready or not.

Here are a few suggestions that work on both guys and girls:

- 1 Kiss the neck starting at the base of the jaw all the way down to the collar bone. Remember to go slowly and make each kiss special.
- 2 Ears are another sensitive spot for many gals and guys. Kiss it softly and maybe give it a little nibble. What does it for me is hearing him breathing into my ear while he thinks it's his kissing technique that is making me moan.
- 3 Slowing rubbing and sliding your hand down an arm or a chest can work wonders.
- 4 Grab a fist full of hair every once and a while. Now don't pull or tug, just a little hold with enough force for it to be sexy.
- 5 And if nothing else works, get it a little spanking a shot. Heck, it will at least be funny for you if it doesn't turn her or him on.



Now once you've worked all of your foreplay magic you'll want to know if it's sexy time yet or not. For the ladies it's pretty easy to tell whether he's excited or limping. Guys a foolproof way to know whether or not you need to show her more attention is take a feel and only go for it if it's like Niagara Falls.

Tigers, take these helpful tips and hints and mold them into your own. Create a signature move or trick that gets him or her ready to rock your world. And don't forget the importance of foreplay this weekend!



parody twitter accounts

PAIGE DOLTON

5

@chuck_facts (Chuck Norris)

Chuck Norris won't just roundhouse kick you in the face, he'll roundhouse kick you in the face and tweet about it.

"Chuck Norris showers in Pabst Blue Ribbon and mon-goose blood"

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@MensHumor

A parody twitter of not just a single person, but anything men (and 99% of women) might think in their daily life and then made significantly funnier.

"If I had a time-traveling Delorean, I'm pretty sure I'd go back and stop the conception of @JustinBieber"

3

@oldmansearch (Norman N.)

Norman's son convinced him that Twitter is the equivalent of Google. To really understand the hilarity of this, here are a couple samples of his daily searches tweets.

"chubby checker death photos"
 "a carton of salt water please"
 "painfull to bow! painfull to bow!"
 "is brunch real?"
 "pets you can keep in the fridge"

2

@Lord_Voldemort7

Ever been curious what He Who Must Not Be Named would think of the world today and the people in it? Being as negative as you would expect from the Dark Lord, he makes fun of every Trending Topic daily, and is as entertaining as ever. For both fans of Harry Potter and all you other people.

"Reasons you're single: you'll let anybody enter your 'chamber of secrets'"

"'National Coming Out Day' is trending. Remember when Harry Potter came out of the closet? I'm sorry, 'cupboard'"

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@FriendFromHS

You know that girl you went to high school with who has yet to leave your hometown or do anything productive with her life? Yes, she's still an idiot; yes, she's still annoying as hell; and fortunately for our comedic relief, she is on twitter. Oh, and she's pregnant and often offensive.

"TIPS 4 GUYS IF U WANNA GET MY NUMBA: 1) own a car w/ a spoiler 2) wear axe body spray 3) quote funny movies 4) thatz it u got me"

"ommmmgggggg nicky minage iz tha best rapper of ALL TIHHHHHHHME!!!! U HERD IT HERE FIIHHHIRST!!!! #trendspotta"

**** 'All u need iz love' ~Katie Perry ****

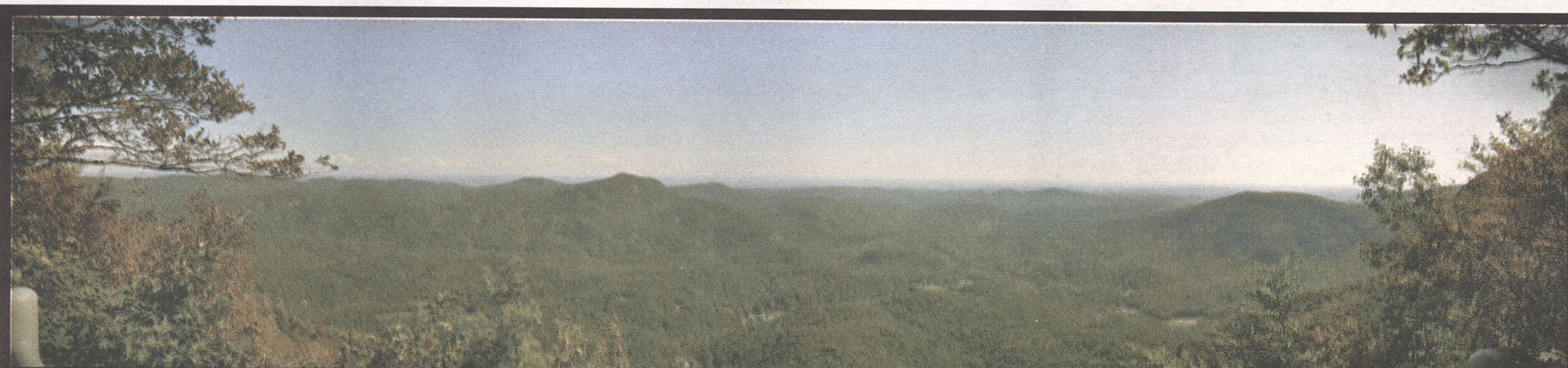


Photo of the Week

Whiteside Mountain - Cashiers, N.C.

Jonathan Windham

Scorpio

Oct. 24 – Nov. 21



▶ You will find \$5 while cleaning your room. It will be glorious.

Sagittarius

Nov. 22 – Dec. 21



▶ You're going to fail your paper anyway, so you might as well have fun inserting nonsense words and "Anchorman" references in it.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 – Jan. 19



▶ An old friend is going to hit you up this week, but they're still a loser, so give them the slip.

Aquarius

Jan. 20 – Feb. 19



▶ If the opportunity arises to lead a group of complete strangers in the cadence count, go for it.

Pisces

Feb. 20 – March 20



▶ You'll pass a particularly awkward tour group this week. Show them what it's like to be a Clemson Tiger.

Aries

March 21 – April 20



▶ Parking Services read your horoscope from last week and is coming to get you with a vengeance this week. Beware.

Taurus

April 21 – May 20



▶ You're going to meet a total hottie downtown this weekend, but don't be fooled — their phone number is not 867-5309.

Gemini

May 21 – June 21



▶ The good news is that you'll be free of the 99 problems you had last week. The bad news is that you're going to have one really bad problem this week.

Cancer

June 22 – July 22



▶ After months of having bad horoscopes, this week is going to be better.

Leo

July 23 – Aug. 23



▶ You've done a good job this week. Reward yourself accordingly.

Virgo

Aug. 24 – Sept. 22



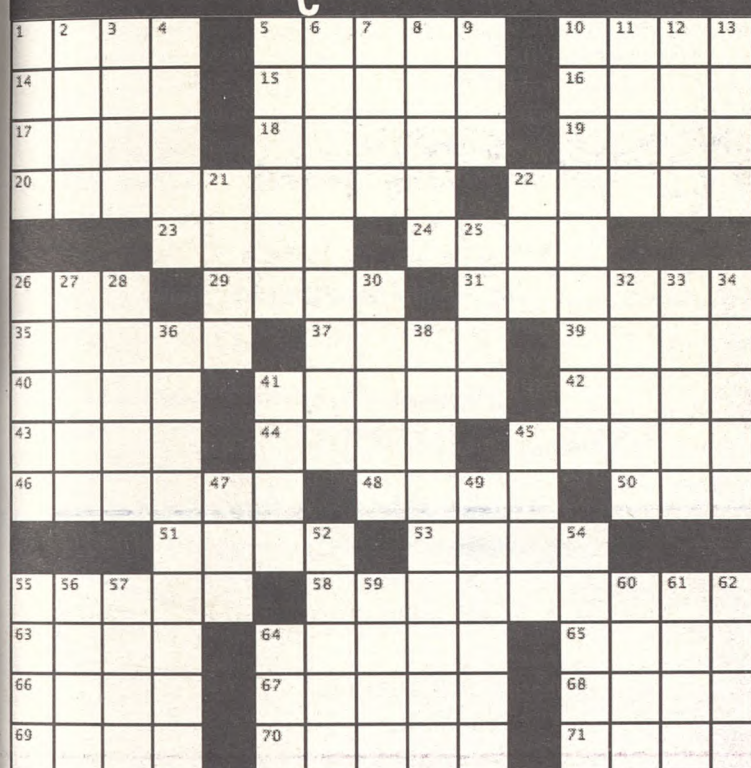
▶ You're going to be extra bored at work this week. Pick up a copy of The Tiger to burn some time.

Libra

Sept. 23 – Oct. 23



▶ You're going to need a miracle to pass that test. If you pull an all-nighter this week, you'll get it.

CROSSWORD**Across**

- 1- Petty quarrel
5- Light wood 1
0- Solid oils
14- Corker
15- Fragrant resin
16- Hawaiian outdoor feast
17- ____ were
18- At right angles to a ship's length
19- Writer Sarah ____ Jewett
20- Paleness
22- Brag
23- Large wading bird
24- Have regard
26- LP speed
29- "Loser" musician
31- Monetary unit of Thailand
35- Neighborhoods
37- Ages and ages
39- Golf club which can be numbered 1 to 9
40- Coal dust
41- Clothe
42- Lady of Spain
43- Door part
44- Bibliography abbr.
45- Band's sample tapes

Down

- 46- Elder
48- Swiss painter Paul
50- Baseball bat wood
51- Increase in size
53- Hungary's Nagy
55- Madagascar monkey
58- Mountain glow
63- Bread spread
64- Wedge
65- San ____, Italy
66- Boyfriend
67- Artist Rousseau
68- Always
69- CPR experts
70- Designer Mizrahi
71- Actress Daly

- 22- Actress Arthur
25- "____ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto)
26- Prepares for billiards
27- Dried plum
28- Breakfast fruit
30- Fuji rival
32- Fragrance
33- Taboos
34- Grind together
36- Obscure
38- Woman who has never borne a child
41- Architect Saarinen
45- "Jurassic Park" actress
47- Bruins great Bobby
49- Ipecac, e.g.
52- Division of the United Kingdom
54- Everglades bird
55- Roundish projection
56- K-6
57- Crux
59- Actress Olin
60- Tax
61- Augury
62- Sported
64- Greek X

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People & Places

- _____ Date spot
- _____ Free date
- _____ Sports Bar
- _____ Club/Dance spot
- _____ Hottest male bartenders
- _____ Hottest female bartenders
- _____ Friendliest staff
- _____ Pharmacy
- _____ Grocery store
- _____ Hair salon
- _____ Barber
- _____ Coffee spot
- _____ Bakery
- _____ Weekend away
- _____ Place to live on-campus
- _____ Place to live off-campus
- _____ Clemson memorabilia
- _____ Place to park
- _____ Study spot



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Past times/Leisure

- _____ Trivia Night
- _____ Karaoke
- _____ Bar games
- _____ Running route
- _____ Leisure skill
- _____ Activity on Bowman
- _____ Hiking spot
- _____ Scenic spot
- _____ Tailgating game
- _____ Class at Fike
- _____ Fike activity
- _____ Frisbee golf spot
- _____ Hobby
- _____ Procrastination tool
- _____ Social Media

FOOD & DRINKS

- _____ Breakfast
- _____ BBQ
- _____ Wings
- _____ Burger Joint
- _____ Chinese
- _____ Japanese
- _____ American
- _____ Sushi
- _____ Mexican/Southwest
- _____ Fast Food
- _____ Meat and three
- _____ Sandwich/Subs
- _____ Campus Dining
- _____ Sit-down meal
- _____ Late-night food run
- _____ Beer selection
- _____ Draft selection
- _____ Liquor selection
- _____ Shot menu
- _____ House special
- _____ Milkshakes
- _____ Ice Cream
- _____ Fro-yo

Academics/Campus

- _____ Game of the year
- _____ Play of the year
- _____ Female athlete
- _____ Male athlete
- _____ Coach
- _____ Non-revenue sport
- _____ Clemson icon
- _____ CBBS Professor
- _____ CAAH Professor
- _____ CAFLS Professor
- _____ CES Professor
- _____ CHEH Professor
- _____ Major
- _____ Class
- _____ Classrooms
- _____ Bathrooms
- _____ Computer lab
- _____ Floor in Cooper
- _____ Department/Faculty
- _____ Dining Hall staff
- _____ Police/Security Staff
- _____ Library Staff
- _____ Form of transportation